'I Cannot Do Everything, But Can Do Something'—Fr. Keller

Not every member of every Holy Name Society or in the parish Council of Catholic Women would be competent to teach children not in attendance at the Catholic school. But every one can be used as a block captain to observe things that are not right within his little territory. He should be discreet, and contact his pastor when he finds problems that need spiritual attention. The pastor then could send members of the St. Vincent de Paul or of the Legion of Mary to check on the report, and appropriate action could be taken.

Every member can hand his **Our Sunday Visitor** to a neighbor, and deliver information to him concerning the things in which he is particularly interested. I will supply pamphlets for this purpose on request. Everyone can direct an inquirer to an Information Center, such as we have in Fort Wayne and in South Bend. For a wider distribution of literature, the Deanery Council can have a booth

MOST REV. JOHN F. NOLL, D.D.

erected at County Fairs, 4-H gatherings, etc.

Only recently I received from South Bend and Gary reports on such enterprises. The Legion of Mary in South Bend and the N.C.C.W. of the Gary Deanery erected booths, the former at a 4-H Fair and the latter at the County Fair Grounds for the distribution of Catholic literature and for contacts with the many non-Catholics who would visit the booth. Those who fostered these enterprises report the most unexpected favorable results.

The report from the South Bend Legion of Mary notes that it will be necessary to build a much larger booth next year, because many of the workers had to stand outside the booth to let the visitors in. This crowding cut down the opportunity for personal conversation. They want to erect similar booths at other large public gatherings.

Their booth was enclosed in a tent which was always filled to overflowing. In the tent were erected an altar, on which were placed the crucifix, chalice, missal, candles and flowers. The vestments were displayed with an explanation concerning each attached. One half the booth was used for the display of religious articles, pamphlets and books. The other half was used by the Legion of Mary for the display of Catholic literature which was distributed free of charge. Everyone was invited to write his name and address for a drawing on a large Bible, and 772 persons signed their names.

On the drawing slips was printed the question "Is there something you would like to know about the Catholic faith?" and 49 persons jotted down things on which they would like to have more information. Offer your time to some of these projects.

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Permission To Binate

The Archbishop has received from Rome permission to authorize pastors to binate on such days when a funeral or a marriage prevents the regular parochial Mass and no other priest is available to assist him. Under these conditions such faculties are hereby extended to the pastors. No stipend may be accepted for that Mass.

Curia Report

We have published some reports of the Legion of Mary activities in several deaneries. The latest received was that from the Fort Wayne Curia in which twelve city parishes have Praesidia. Their activities are many, such as visiting lapsed Catholics, the sick, the shut-ins, baby sitting on Sunday to enable parents to go to Mass, visiting new families in the parish, visiting infirmaries and nursing homes, the sick in hospitals, prospective converts, distribution of literature. To date the legionaries have brought thirty-three people back to the Sacraments, had three marriages validated, nineteen children and seven adults baptized, and were responsible for four converts.

In your daily paper, during this season, you are constantly reminded of two things: the number of shopping days left until Christmas and how Santa Claus brings the gifts down the chimney on Christmas.

We would like to change these misconceptions. Santa Claus was originally St. Nicholas, the Archbishop of Myra in Asia Minor who from the innocence of his own life and the devotedness with which he, as Bishop, watched over the young, has come to be regarded at the Patron Saint of children. This, being the Season of Advent, we would remind you that there are only 12 Praying Days until Christmas. What have you done in preparation for the Christ Child?

Chairman Says 'Thanks'

Reports Show National Shrine Appeal 'Triumphant Success'

Washington — (NC) — Catholics of the United States are giving a most impressive demonstration of their love for the Mother of God.

This was the opinion expressed this week, as early returns from the nationwide Appeal for the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, being built here, indicated that it is a triumphant success. It was made clear that, necessarily, it will be some time before the results of last Sunday's collection are known, but it was also said that the enthusiasm shown everywhere insures that it will meet every expectation.

It was made clear, too, that those who were not able to make a contribution last Sunday may do so at any time while the construction work on the Shrine is in progress.

It was also indicated that the great Upper Church of Mary's shrine may be ready for use almost as soon as it is under roof.

Archbishop John F. Noll, Bishop of Fort Wayne and Chairman of the Bishops' Committee on the National Shrine, issued a statement thanking the Bishops and priests of the country "who so earnestly and zealously backed the 'one big collection,'" to erect the superstructure of Mary's shrine and "to install those things in the interior which make the church usable as soon as it will have been covered by a roof."

"I wish also, in the name of my committee, to thank the Catholic laity throughout the nation who, out of their love for Mary Immaculate, made a personal sacrifice which, added to all others, will present her the most elegant and one of the largest churches in our nation—for more than one hundred years dedicated to her," Archbishop Noll continued.

The Archbishop said that those who, for reasons of their own, have not yet made a contribution "will have an opportunity to do so within the several years to come during which work on the exterior will be going on."

"Thousands of letters received during the past five years from American Catholics," Archbishop Noll added, "have convinced me that they want this Shrine built, to Mary, the Mother of Jesus and their mother."

The Mother of God is Patroness of the United States, under the title of her Immaculate Conception.

The nation-wide Appeal conducted by the American Bishops is to raise funds for the work on the superstructure of the magnificent shrine.

They observe a monthly Day of Recollection, an annual Retreat, and keep adorers in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.

FAMED GROTTO ON NOTRE DAME CAMPUS—Notre Dame students pause to pray at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on the campus as the Catholic Church begins a world-wide observance of the Marian Year proclaimed by Pope Pius XII. The Holy Father urged pilgrimmages to Marian shrines throughout the year in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception. The Notre Dame Grotto is a replica of the world-famed shrine at Lourdes, France, where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette in 1858.

18 Years After Lourdes

N.D. Grotto To Be Center Of Prayer In Marian Year

Notre Dame, Ind. — The beautiful Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on the University of Notre Dame campus will be a center of prayer and devotion for students and visitors during the Marian Year which opened December 8 throughout the Catholic world. The Marian Year, promulgated by Pope Pius XII who visited Notre Dame in 1936, commemorates the 100th anniversary of the definition of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady for whom Notre Dame is named.

The campus shrine, constructed of unhewn rock and situated beneath a canopy of trees, is a replica of the world-famed Grotto at Lourdes in France where Our Lady appeared to Saint Bernadette on eighteen occasions during 1858. During one of these apparitions, the Virgin Mary identified herself declaring "I am the Immaculate Conception," as if to confirm the dogma which had been proclaimed four years earlier by Pope Pius IX.

The story of the apparitions at Lourdes and the many miracles wrought there during the past century have long been familiar to Catholics. Only in recent years did the story become known to the general public through the book, **Song of Bernadette**, which later was produced as a highly successful movie.

In 1876, only eighteen years after Our Lady appeared to Bernadette at Lourdes, work was begun on the Grotto at Notre Dame. The Reverend Edward F. Sorin, C.S.C., founder and first president of Notre Dame, had visited Lourdes in 1873 and determined to build a facsimile of the famous shrine at the University. He chose one of the most beautiful spots on the campus, a wooded dell within the shadow of Sacred Heart Church and the Golden Dome and only a short distance from St. Mary's Lake.

Great boulders, some of them weighing as much as two or three tons, form the Grotto which was built on the side of a natural mound. Curiously, when laborers were digging for the foundation, a spring of pure, clear water was struck just to the left of the Grotto and in approximately the same relative position as the miraculous spring at Lourdes. The flow of water gradually lessened, however, and the spot is now marked by an artificial water fountain.

Hampered by lack of funds, the construction of the Grotto was not completed until 1896. Completion of the shrine was made possible largely through the generosity of the Reverend Thomas Carroll of Oil City, Pennsylvania, who at one time was a theological student at Notre Dame. The Grotto was blessed on August 5, 1896, by the Rev. William Corby, C.S.C., heroic Civil War Chaplain, who served twice as President of Notre Dame. The Reverend Patrick Carroll, C.S.C., former editor of "The Ave Maria," now living in retirement at Notre Dame, is one of the few persons still living who were present at the Grotto's dedication fifty-seven years ago.

In the intervening half-century, while Notre Dame has erected literally scores of buildings and increased the size of its student body

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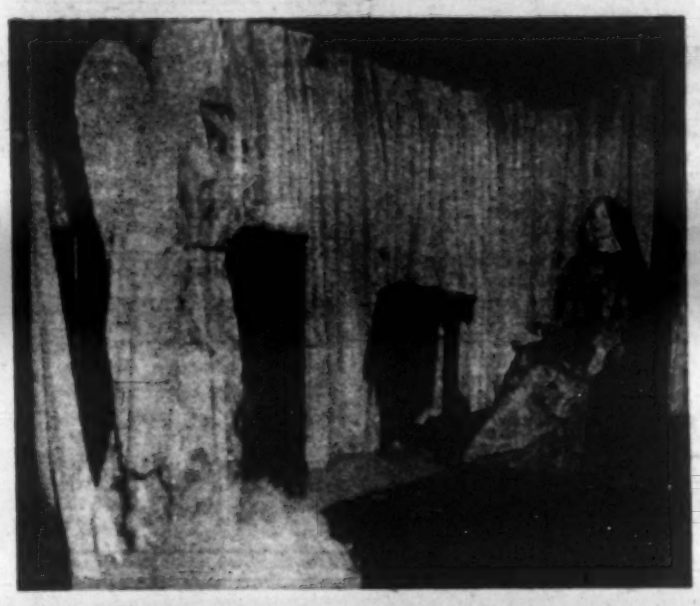
Central Catholic High School's Booth



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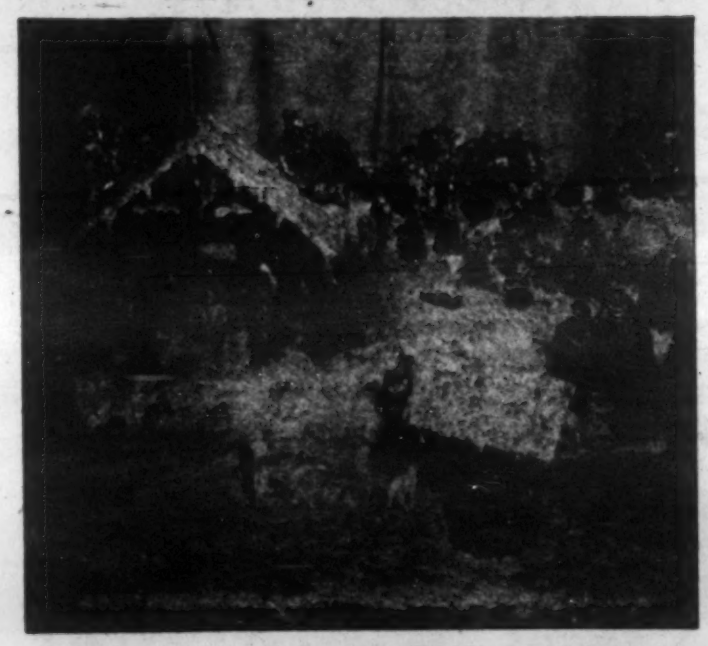


St. Hyacinth Church

St. Francis College

OUTDOOR EXHIBIT AT CHRIST CHILD FESTIVAL — Paul Kauder, Earl Hanauer and Melvin Kaiser, members of the Allen County Rural Youth, take the part of shepherds guarding their sheep near Bethlehem the night of Christ's Birth. They were part of an exhibit set-up outside the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, where the third annual Christ Child Festival was held this week. — Fort Wayne News-Sentinel photo.

Christ Child Festival Held In Fort Wayne

Fort Wayne—The city of Fort Wayne's magnificent demonstration of keeping Christ in Christmas, the Christ Child Festival, was held this past week in the Exhibition Hall of the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum.

Through the cooperation of all the churches in the city, the Exhibition Hall was filled with booths, each having as its theme the Christ Child, the true focal point of the Christmas season.

The first Christ Child Festival was held in December, 1951. A group of six laymen met in November of that year to form plans for the Festival. Their feeling was that there was a need for a non-commercial religious awakening at Christmas encompassing all religious bodies.

The first Festival was held in the Southside Market. All the city churches, parochial and public schools, and various civic groups donated their time and energies to erect booths. About 18,000 persons viewed that first Festival.

The dream of the six laymen was now a reality and because of its success, it was decided to hold another Festival the following year. As plans got underway for the second Festival, the newly-completed Allen County War Memorial Coliseum was discussed as the possible site. Some in the community remarked that the people would never travel that far to view it.

The enlarged executive committee decided to take a chance and engaged the Coliseum. The scope of the Festival was greatly expanded and a greater religious expression by more groups was made possible. A number of booths were exhibited that year which demonstrated how Christmas was celebrated in Foreign lands.

The public acceptance of the three-day Festival was tremendous. An estimated 35,000 persons attended.

This year the Festival was even greater. On the final day of the Festival, the entire Coliseum was used. In the arena on Wednesday night, the massed choirs of the city sang the famous "Hallelujah Chours" from Handel's oratorio, The Messiah.

The tremendous undertaking entailed a great deal of time and energy by many people. The committees worked long and hard for the success of the third annual Christ Child Festival. Anyone who witnessed it could see that their work was well done.

Mrs. Orville E. Miller was the general chairman. Her principal assistants were Jack Oxley, hall chairman and Vaughn Bailey, assistant hall chairman.

Booths were exhibited by the Catholic Literature Club, Orphan's Guild, Catholic Welfare, Catholic Business Women's Club, Junior Orphan's Guild, National Council of Catholic Women, Holy Name Society, Catholic Foresters, Women's Catholic Foresters, Daughters of Isabella, Knights of Columbus, Boosters' Club, Central Catholic Mothers, Third Order of St. Francis, Catholic Nurses, Legion of Mary, St. Vincent Villa, St. Francis College, and Central Catholic High School.

TALK OVER PLANS FOR FESTIVAL — Members of the Polish Parade of Nations booth talk over their part in the festival. Left to right are Mrs. Lawrence Till, deanery spiritual activities; Mrs. Edward Ernst, N.C.C.W. deanery president; the Rev. Raymond Balzer, assistant at St. Patrick's church, and Mrs. Joseph Ostrowski and Mrs. Edward Stronczek, members of the Polish group. — Fort Wayne News-Sentinel photo.

Behind The Footlights

N.D. Theatre Scores With 'Kiss Me, Kate'

By WILLIAM THESPIAN

The Notre Dame University Theatre has hit a full stride. Its production of "Kiss Me, Kate," the second for the season, is one of the best musical presentations to be staged in Washington Hall.

This was Director John D. Tumpane's first musical at Notre Dame. It was well-worth all the effort.

"Kiss Me, Kate" is probably Cole Porter's best music. It is not easy music to sing. Good singers are needed and good singers were had in this University Theatre production. Eugene Gorski and Jinny Myler handled the leading roles with musical good taste. Dalis Ann Yoder, William Hamel, Raymond Papay and John Noland offer excellent musical support.

Using Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew" as a basis for its show-within-a-show, "Kate" also needs strong acting. Mr. Gorski played the role of Fred Graham (Petruchio in the Shakespeare) with a broad stroke. His presence on the stage filled the atmosphere with bravura. Miss Myler created a Lilli Vanessi who was a perfect picture of wild, vicious female fighting madly for the ex-husband she still loves.

Musical direction by Dudley Birder, stage settings by Stephen Steckbeck and Edward Sexauer, choreography by Allan J. Powers contributed immensely to a fast-paced, extremely entertaining show. The playing of the Notre Dame Community Orchestra, Dr. Charles A. Biondo, director, with its predominance of strings, did a beautiful job of supporting singers and chorus.

Mr. Tumpane's first musical endeavor at Notre Dame was well-received by the Notre Dame audience. It got off its hands and filled Washington Hall with more applause than it has heard in a long time.

Future musical presentations by the University Theatre will be eagerly anticipated. After a few more warm-ups with such items as "Kiss Me, Kate," the time will be ripe for a more serious musical endeavor. A joint effort by the University Theatre and the Notre Dame Music Department would prove to be an interesting experiment.

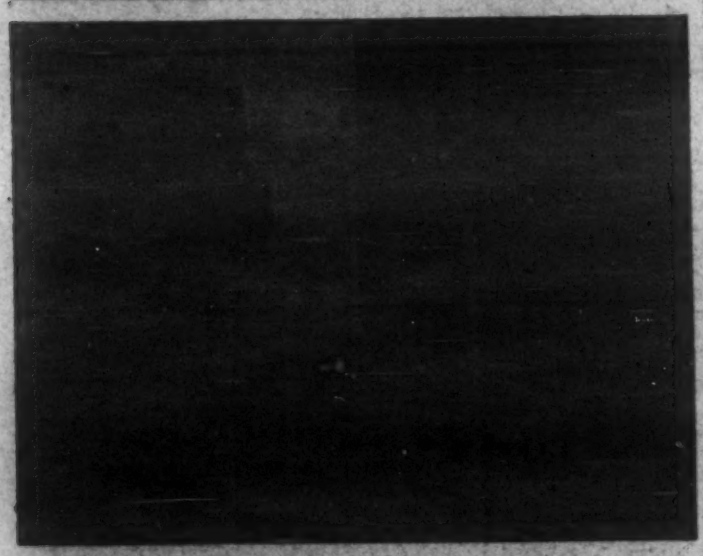
Nicole Henriot Soloist In South Bend

Last Sunday's concert of the South Bend Symphony, the second in the series, introduced a vigorous young talent to South Bend, as remarkable in her own way as the celebrated Guiomar Novaes of the previous season. She is Nicole Henriot, a tiny, birdlike woman with a cold, brilliant piano technique and a touch as boldly masculine as any pianist alive today.

Mlle. Henriot, fresh from an appearance with Dmitri Metropoulos and the New York Philharmonic, tore into a virtuoso's warhorse, Liszt's E flat concerto, with the restful staccato and the cascading brilliance of tone that has earned her the nickname "Mlle. Horowitz." Romping through the more playful passages, she seemed unable to achieve a romantic warmth of melody in the legato sections. She would seem much more at ease with the heartless Gallic dazzle of Ravel or the wit of Prokofieff.

The orchestra under Edwyn Hames accompanied with suitable restraint and a faint undertone of romanticism, missing few of the difficult entrances. The strings nearly simulated the singing tone of the Fort Wayne orchestra in the sprightly Rossini overture that opened the program, while "Siegfried's Rhine Journey" gave a field day to the fine South Bend wood-winds and brasses, particularly the horns.

The orchestra, however, was scarcely equal to the ponderous German complexity of Brahms' Fourth Symphony. What was programmed as "serious and philosophic," except for a bright interval in the third movement, often turned out to be downright dull.—Frederick Wagner.



STAR IN PHILHARMONIC OPERA—Charles W. Mass, (right), Cleveland, Ohio, will sing the title role in the Fort Wayne Philharmonic's production of Gian-Carlo Menotti's "Amahl and the Night Visitors." He has appeared in this role twice at the Karamu House in Cleveland. The role of the mother will be sung by Ardis Krainik, (left), a graduate student in the School of Music at Northwestern University. A pupil of Elizabeth Wysor, she taught dramatics at Racine, Wis. The Philharmonic will present two performances of "Amahl" on December 15. A children's matinee will be given at 3:30 p.m. Tickets for this performance are 50 cents for young people and $2.00 for adults. The evening performance at 8:30 p.m. will also see a performance of Menotti's curtain-raiser, "The Telephone."

Marian Art Exhibit

Notre Dame—An exhibit of fine prints of famous Madonnas, including an El Greco, were displayed with other art masterpieces last week in the Studio Maria Virgo at St. Mary's College, here. The exhibit included El Greco's "Mother of Sorrows," Russian icons, a wood carved statue of Mary, and the original "Refugium Peccatorum" by Sister Mary of the Compassion, the well-known Dominican painter.

Papal Delegation Aide

Ottawa —(NC)— Msgr. Luigi Dadaglio has been named charge d'affaires at the Apostolic Delegation here pending the arrival in February of the new Apostolic Delegate to Canada, Archbishop Giovanni Panico. Msgr. Dadaglio, auditor of the delegation since last August, was named charge d'affaires following the appointment of Archbishop Ildebrando Antoniutti, Apostolic Delegate to Canada for 15 years, as Papal Nuncio to Spain. Archbishop Antoniutti left Ottawa for Rome on November 24. Following a visit to the Holy Father, he will take over his new post in Madrid.

A Musical Treat For The Family

Ft. Wayne Civic Theatre To Stage Gilbert And Sullivan's 'Pinafore'

By GERARD HEKKER

"The arrival in America of the first Gilbert and Sullivan opera, 'H.M.S. Pinafore,' in the 1878-1879 season, led to a veritable eruption of comic opera." — Cecil Smith in "Musical Comedy in America."

No such comparable situation is expected on Christmas night when the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre opens its production of the famous comic opera. But, one of the most significant evenings in the history of the Civic Theatre is easily anticipated.

The story of "H.M.S. Pinafore, or The Lass That Loved a Sailor" is a tuneful, merry mix-up. It surrounds the love of an able seaman, Ralph Rackstraw for his captain's daughter, Josephine, whose hand is sought by the Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., First Lord of the Admiralty.

Amid scenes of activity, Sir Joseph, attended by his female relatives, visits the ship to discuss his proposed marriage.

Meanwhile, Ralph, who has hitherto refrained from declaring his passion, now tells Josephine of his love for her. Although inwardly reciprocating his affection, she haughtily rejects his advances, and reminds him of their disparity in rank. Ralph, in despair, calls his mess-mates, and decides to end his life. He is about to shoot himself, when Josephine, staying his hand, confesses that she loves him.

A plan is made by the crew to steal ashore that night for a hasty marriage, but, being overheard by Dick Deadeye, a deformed and unpopular member of the crew, he acquaints the Captain of their intentions. Captain Corcoran is so enraged that he cannot repress a swear word, and Sir Joseph, a disciplinarian, hearing this, with pain and distress, sends him in disgrace to his cabin.

Pressed as to the reason of the Captain's outburst, Ralph relates the story of his love for Josephine. Sir Joseph is so astounded at this presumption that he orders Ralph's detention in a dungeon cell.

Buttercup now appears, and explains how many years previously, she was guilty of exchanging the identification of the Captain and Ralph, whom she "nussed" as infants, Ralph being the boy who was nobly born.

The situation is straightened out in truly Gilbertian style by the Captain and Ralph exchanging ranks. Subsequently, Sir Joseph relinquishes his claim to Josephine, and hands her over to Ralph with the strict injunction to take care of her. Sir Joseph decides to marry cousin Hebe and the deposed Captain Corcoran finds consolation in Little Buttercup.

Because no reciprocal copyright arrangements existed between England and America, many pirated performances of "H.M.S. Pinafore" were given in the United States. The first such American showing took place in Boston on Nov. 25, 1878.

"The success of 'Pinafore' in Boston was enormous," writes Mr. Smith. "By August, 1879, no fewer than 241 representations had been given in Boston by a variety of companies, including one composed of child actors."

New York saw its first "Pinafore" in February, 1879. On December 1, 1879, the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company began a month's engagement of the work in New York's Fifth Avenue Theatre.

The production of "Pinafore" at the Civic Theatre should hold an important place in the history of theatre in Fort Wayne. The first musical to be staged by the Civic since "Knickerbocker Holiday," it will fill a needless void in the repertory. Music is a vital part of the theatre.

Coming as it does during the Christmas season, it is being billed as a treat for the entire family. It is truly that. A special children's matinee will be given on Sunday afternoon, December 27. Tickets for this performance are priced at $1.25 for Main Floor and 62 cents for Balcony. Evening performances will be given on December 25, 26, 27, 30, 31, and January 1 and 2. Tickets for these performances are $1.50 for Main Floor and 75 cents for Balcony.

Mail orders will be accepted at the Civic Theatre. Checks or money orders should be made payable to the Fort Wayne Civic Theatre. Address your mail orders to "Pinafore," Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, 216 East Berry Street, Fort Wayne 2.

St. Mary's Will Present Play By Paul Claudel

Notre Dame—"Tidings Brought to Mary" by Paul Claudel has been chosen for St. Mary's College's annual Christmas play, to be presented on December 16 under the direction of Edward Warren, head of the speech department.

Mr. Claudel, a French convert, is an attorney, ambassador, and a career diplomat. This "story of selfishness and saintliness painted against the decline of the Middle Ages" is considered the best of the author's plays.

A play of symbolism and thought, it involves a miracle, and is "startling out of the mode of modern drama." Claudel's interest being in souls rather than in things, the play depicts not historical settings as much as, poetically, the atmosphere of the age.

Jeannine Berner, of South Bend, will be featured as Violaine. Mara will be played by Roberta Sullivan of River Forest, Ill.; and taking the part of Mother will be Nancy O'Hearn of Cleveland, Ohio.

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When Will World Earn True Peace?

God Will Grant It When Men And Nations Repent And Deserve It

IN this busy world, when things which excite us today are forgotten tomorrow, when a note from our State Department, or a protest by some organization, is regarded as settling a matter of great importance, little has been accomplished by or for people who are held in subjugation by anti-Christian dictators.

In the Old Testament we read much about God scourging the Israelites for drifting away from Him, and also about His scourging others through them after Israel repented and came back to God.

Less than 200 years before Christ, the King of Egypt invaded Palestine, and not only won a victory over the Israelites, but defiled the temple at Jerusalem and the holy vessels consecrated to divine service. The Israelites, regarding this as another scourge of God, repented in sackcloth and ashes, resolved henceforth to live according to God's Commandments, and to avenge the assault on their sacred places. With that spirit every one was ready to go to battle and, if necessary, to die for God.

The Church observed this year the seventh centenary of the death of St. Stanislaus, of Poland. The King of Poland had just come back from a victory in battle, and in his pride assumed the role of a dictator much like some we are dealing with presently. Bishop Stanislaus served notice on him that he could not reduce the people of Poland to slavery. The King directed his soldiers to use the sword against any of his opponents. This only led the Bishop to take a firmer position, but it also led King Boleslaus II to get rid of this Polish Bishop. He ordered soldiers to assassinate him, but they refused. Then Boleslaus declared that he would do it himself, and he did it while the Bishop was saying Mass.

That was centuries before the world had a daily press or radio or any other means of communication except by word of mouth. Hence there were no wires of protest no telephone or mail communication with the King. The people just determined that they would get rid of their King.

THE HOLY INFANCY — December is dedicated by the Church to the theme of the Holy Infancy. It is the month of the birth of Christ and a reminder of the sanctity of the family and the divine dignity and destiny of man. This reproduction of the Madonna and Child symbolizes Christian motherhood and the purity of children.

Still Persecuted

Now what happened in Palestine shortly before the coming of Christ and what happened in Poland in the eleventh century is happening before our eyes today. Priests and bishops and archbishops and cardinals have been arrested in large numbers. The chief prelates in Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, have been silenced. Protests are made, but there is never any action taken because the people in each of these countries could not hold their own against the military police, who are members of the Communist Party.

It all adds up to the fact that people today do not, as they did in the past, regard wars or conquests as punishments of God. He permitted the dictators to be a scourge designed to arouse the population to return to Him, to fight for Him as valiant Christian soldiers.

It is evident, from reports received from behind the Iron Curtain, that the majority of the people have begun to practice their religion better than they ever did, but there are still many traitors to keep the Almighty displeased.

All persecuted nations look to the United States to bring them temporal salvation, but the

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Our Weekly Chat With You

Dear Readers...

A NUMBER of non-Catholic readers of *O.S.V.* have written to us during the past few days to request our answer to the old and oft-repeated charge that the Pope is "the real anti-Christ."

One would suppose that this ridiculous charge would never be brought up in our times, but as late as June, 1953, the Missouri Synod Lutherans, in convention assembled at Houston, Texas, agreed that, "This Synod holds that the doctrine of the Pope being the anti-Christ is an article of faith, though non-fundamental."

Luther tacked that label on the Pope when he was angry after his excommunication and since he remained angry he kept accusing the Pope of being anti-Christ.

Devious devices have been used to point out that the "Beast of the Apocalypse," who bore the number 666 (Rev. 13:18) is the Pope of Rome. For instance, they claim that on the Pope's Tiara appear the three words "Vicarius Filii Dei" (Vicar of the Son of God), and that the numerals in these words, which are often used to supply figures, add up to 666.

The fact is that no such words appear on the Pope's Tiara. Moreover IV should figure our four and not six. The numerals should really total 650.

From the time of Innocent XIII, two centuries before Luther, the Pope has been designated "Vicar of Christ," not "Vicar of the Son of God" and the number 666 cannot be gotten out of that designation.

An American priest, returning from Europe with a Lutheran minister, opened up the question of the Lutheran teaching that the Pope is anti-Christ, and with him tried to figure out what number would result by applying the same rule to Luther and the Province in Germany in which he lived. He tried it on "Doctor Luther Saxonia" (Dr. Luther of Saxony), and here is the way it worked:

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It's Jesus' Birthday

The Way To Keep Christ In Christmas

VERA AND LOUIS FINK

OLD Kris Kringle was originally a Catholic Bishop; the idea of using the Crib has been credited to Catholic Saint Francis; the word "Christmas" itself is from the Old English *Cristes Maesse*—or Mass of Christ, and the Mass is the highest form of Catholic worship. There can't be any serious doubt that Christmas is essentially a Catholic feast, so let's keep it that way.

You start in your own home, of course, by reminding the children that Christmas is the birthday of Jesus Christ. Everything else is secondary. We're not going to be as severe as some who think that tales of Santa Claus should be abolished; that Christmas trees are nothing but a pagan custom; and that the giving of gifts makes us all too materialistic. No, we don't feel that way—because children should be happy at Christmas-time. It's their day, and if decorated trees, lights, good food and gifts make them happier, that's all right. The spirit of giving is certainly appropriate to this feast—when Christ first gave us so much.

We were meant to be happy on Christmas. Outside of Easter, it's the happiest feast in our calendar. The only note of warning we would issue is to remind you of the danger that commercialism sometimes makes us forget all about Christ. You can see what we mean by looking at the Christmas cards on sale in every store. It's bad enough when the cards leave out Christ and show children on sleds, families eating plum pudding, and fat Santa Claus saying something about a Happy Noel. But the real tragedy is in those "modern" cards—a photograph of the sender's own home, some gnomes or elves leaping about a modernistic tree or sky—all without even a sign of any word resembling the name of Christ.

There's no excuse for any family sending out a non-religious card. Whether your taste runs to primitives, or moderns, or Old Masters, or whatever, the stocks are plentiful these days—and in every class you can find a card with a religious theme. Just make sure it has a picture of some member of the Holy Family, and a real Catholic, Christmas greeting!

You needn't be embarrassed, or feel that people will think you are trying to be "Holy." Public agencies which have put Christ back in Christmas had a wonderful reception last year. The Beneficial Saving Fund Society in Philadelphia put a Manger Scene at their front

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For High Schools And Discussion Clubs

Did Luther Receive A Special Revelation?

NO. He did not hold that he had received a special revelation from Heaven like so many human founders of a new religion—such as Joseph Smith, founder of the Mormons, or Mary Baker Eddy, foundress of Christian Science, or as Moslems claim for Mohammed, who has more followers than the totality of Protestantism. They believe that their Koran is as reliable as our Bible.

Swedenborg, who lived among Lutherans in Stockholm, claimed that he received a revelation directly from Almighty God, that God actually dictated to him what he was expected to declare as revealed. Without even claiming that their founder received any special revelation, Lutherans accept his teachings without any hesitation. The decisions of Lutheran Synods, particularly if they are carried to the pastors and to the members of their congregations for endorsement, are, to all intents and purposes, regarded as infallible—since they may not be rejected.

While Luther denied infallibility to the spokesman for the Universal Church even when he pronounced on matters relating to faith and morals, he, in effect, claimed infallibility for himself. When he was asked why he tampered with the Scriptures, his answer was that Martin Luther wanted it that way.

We have already indicated that the acceptance of the Bible on the sole authority of the Catholic Church, whether Protestants realize it or not, is the recognition by them of the Catholic Church's infallibility. Since Protestants have never questioned the genuineness and inspiration of the New Testament, even though Christ never wrote a word, never ordered the

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Five D. of I. Circles Hold Joint Installation Of New Officers

Bishop Noll Circle, 359 Daughters of Isabella, St. Leo Circle, Griffith; Unity Circle, Hammond; Twin City Circle, East Chicago; Whiting Circle, Whiting held joint installation in St. Mary's Auditorium, Hammond, recently.

Bishop Noll Circle attended Mass and took corporate communion at Holy Rosary Church, with the Rev. Joseph Smith, pastor celebrating the Mass.

The guest speaker at the banquet was the Rev. A. J. Junk, principal of Bishop Noll High School, Hammond. His topic concerned juvenile delinquency among the high school students.

"Young people today," he said, "are no different than they ever were." Parents are to blame for this state.

Arrangements for the installation rites and banquet were made by Mrs. Henrietta Chartier, regent of Unity Circle, Hammond. The Gary Circle will be hosts next year.

The circles will have their combined business meeting and Christmas party on December 14, in the Knights of Columbus ballroom.

The newly elected officers are: Mrs. Matthew Telek, regent; Mrs. James Neugebauer, vice-regent; Mrs. Frank Collins, past regent; Mrs. Nicholas Krisko, financial secretary; Mrs. Rudolph Zimmerman, treasurer; Adeline Schuster, recording secretary and Mrs. Edward Sonnen, Scribe.

Also Frances Grimmer, trustee for three years; Mrs. Harry Leight, chancellor; Mrs. Joseph Bombassaro, senior trustee; Mrs. Louis Casale, two year trustee; Mrs. Henry Stimple, custodian; Mrs. Fred Kellman, monitor; Mrs. Francis P. Weiss, banner bearer; Mrs. Frank Chale, first guide; Mrs. John Coggins, second guide; Mrs. Robert Borns, inner guard; Mrs. Joseph Steininger, outer guard; and Mrs. Thomas Gervais, organist. Pot-luck will be at 6:30 p.m., a business meeting and a Christmas gift exchange will follow. The annual Christmas donations will be made.

South Bend Deanery

Women Urged To Do More For Others During Marian Year

At the meeting of N.C.C.W. held in Sacred Heart Church, South Bend, Father Stanley Cak urged the ladies to do more and more for others, especially by prayer, and to place all petitions at the throne of Mary during this Marian Year. Father Joseph McAllister requested them to read Our Sunday Visitor on the value of indulgences and to make visits accordingly.

Mrs. Tansey announced that such a pilgrimage would be made in the Spring of 1954.

At the meeting chance books were distributed to the Parish Chairman, the proceeds from which will be used to defray the expense of the Religious school for handicapped children.

Ann Jordonick, spoke on the Catholic Movement, and told the parents to get more teen-age boys and girls to join the Fatima Club, also that each parish should send at least four delegates to the conference to be held at St. Joseph Town Hall on December 13 at 1:30 p.m.

Mary Lou Horvath and Rose Marie Hagy told how the Fatima Club started and the good that it has done the High Schools. They have a planned meeting every month with a good speaker. Each first Saturday they receive Holy Communion, followed by a breakfast at Morris Inn.

Parish Named In Will

Fort Wayne — Hermina Lockett, who died November 20, willed her real estate located at 2502 Graeter Street, to St. Joseph's Church, according to probate proceedings instituted in Superior Court No. 2. The testatrix also willed personal property to the Rev. Charles Girardot. The entire estate is valued at $6,000.

Catholic Women's Welfare League To Visit Institutions

Fort Wayne—The Catholic Women's Welfare League, NCCW affiliate, will visit the Allen County Infirmary and Children's Home, Friday, December 18 at 1:00 p.m., to entertain and distribute gifts to the patients.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. D. Lawrence Monahan, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, will give the Christmas message. Mrs. A. W. Douscher, vocalist, and the St. Patrick's Boys Choir, directed by Neil Thompson, organist, will present the program.

The League will visit Sacred Heart Home for the aged, Avilla, on Sunday, December 20 at 6:00 p.m. Gifts for all the men, women and the Sisters will be distributed. An Accordian orchestra will play for the occasion.

Righteous Indignation Isn't Enough

N.O.D.L. Director Outlines Parents' Part In Combatting Flood Of Indecent Comics

Steubenville, Ohio —(NC)— It's up to the parents to stem the flood of filthy reading that is reaching their children, a priest outlined here.

Righteous indignation or legal action isn't enough unless parents take an interest in what their children are reading and what neighborhood stores are selling to them, Father Robert F. Marrer, Steubenville diocesan director of the National Organization for Decent Literature, stated.

Listing what parents can do, the priest suggested:

1) Know what their children are reading and seeing.

2) Help them develop standards by pointing out values of correct reading.

3) Allow children to read only approved comics.

4) Check neighborhood stores—"They will be surprised to see the availability of indecent literature."

Neighborhood groups can also organize committees to call on drug-store operators and ask them to remove offensive comics, making monthly checks to see if the dealers cooperate.

"There is no narrowmindedness in a campaign for decent literature," Father Marrer said. "If citizens condone moral filth, then they, before God, shall be held responsible for the destruction of the morals of the young."

In a two-installment series in the Steubenville **Register**, Father Marrer outlined a plan of action for the Steubenville diocese in combatting indecent comics.

Magazine Says . . .

Superstitious Promises Caused Ban Of 'Secret Of Happiness'

Yonkers, N.Y. —(NC)— The booklet, "The Secret of Happiness," dealing with 15 prayers reputedly revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden, was disapproved because of "false and superstitious promises which accompany the prayers," according to **The Cowl** magazine, published here by the Capuchin Fathers.

Several months ago when the booklet was being circulated widely in the New York archdiocese area and other places, His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman warned Catholics that the prayer booklet was disapproved. The Cardinal's warning stated that the booklet bore an alleged Nihil Obstat and Imprimatur of the New York archdiocese, but that these were entirely unauthorized.

Since the New York incident, other copies of the prayer booklet have been circulated, bearing the Imprimatur of the Seez and Nice dioceses in France.

The Cowl magazine said that the material in the booklet was condemned as early as June 30, 1671, by the Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office. The set of 15 prayers to be recited daily are supposed to have been given by Our Lord to St. Bridget with a number of promises attached to the performance of the devotion. The magazine pointed out that there is absolutely no foundation for the story and no mention of the prayers or promises are found in any of St. Bridget's authentic writings.

The Cowl emphasized that it is the promises which are objectionable and the reason for the condemnation.

Business Women Set Christmas Party

Fort Wayne—The Catholic Business Women's Club will hold its annual Christmas party in St. Jude's Church hall, Sunday, December 13 at 2:15 p.m. Members will receive gifts and will bring gifts which in turn will be distributed toward needy causes.

Daughters Of Isabella To Hold Christmas Party

Fort Wayne—Our Lady of Victory Circle, Daughters of Isabella, will hold their annual Christmas party, on December 15, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, at 8:15 p.m.

Mrs. Joseph Westendorf, general chairman, announced that the program will include a play "Those Christmas Gifts," music by the circle choir and a 50c gift exchange. As usual donations for the Orphans Christmas stocking will be accepted.

Vocation Day Marked

Tokyo —(NC)— Vocation Sunday—the day specially set aside in Japan for the fostering of vocations to the priesthood—was observed throughout the country on December 6—the Sunday nearest the Feast of St. Francis Xavier, patron of Japan, which occurred on December 3.

District Meeting Held

A meeting of the National Council of Catholic Women was held recently in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Decatur. Father Aloysius Phillips of Yoder was the guest speaker.

P.T.A. Children's Party

Crown Point—The St. Mary's P.T.A. will sponsor its annual Christmas party for 428 children in the school on the last day of school preceding the Christmas vacation, December 18. Gifts will be individually wrapped by the committee and delivered to the Sisters for distribution. The group recently donated $25 to Clubs United for Youth Recreation in the city.

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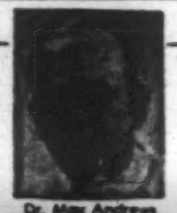
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Looking And Listening

A Guide For Family Entertainment

RADIO . . . MOVIES . . . TELEVISION

WHEN you see as many motion pictures as I see you're overwhelmed by the waste of film and talents. So many pictures have such inconsequential themes, are so totally lacking in either entertainment or meaning. When I do find a film that offers something worthwhile I urge you to see it but I wish I could honestly recommend more pictures.

So this week I want to begin the second phase of the positive approach of this column. The first phase was to urge you to attend films that are worthwhile and one film, "Flight Nurse," is the testing film for this approach. When it comes to your city be sure to see it. I've received many letters from people who did see it and with a single exception all say they enjoyed it.

Dale Francis

But now for the second phase of our program. I'd like to suggest a film that Hollywood should produce—a film that would not only be entertaining and offer a worthy theme but a film that would be a box office success.

I'd like to see a film based on the work of the priest hero of Korea, Father Emil Kapaun. You've probably already read about Father Kapaun, his story has been told in your diocesan newspapers. They say his pipe was twice shot out of his mouth but he patched it up, kept using it and the priest with his battered pipe was kind of a symbol of courage to the men fighting in Korea.

Then one day Father Kapaun was faced with a decision. There were wounded men who couldn't be moved. Father Kaupaun could have saved himself but he stayed and was taken prisoner with the men who needed him.

In the prison camp the Reds tried to keep him from ministering to his GIs. But the priest volunteered for every kind of a task, just so he could go out among the men. He helped Protestants, Jews, Catholics and men of no faith at all. They said Saint Dismas became his patron saint because Father Kapaun had a way of swiping food for men who didn't have enough to eat.

When dysentery struck the camp it was Father Kapaun who fought hard against it. He washed out the soiled clothes of desperately sick men. He did the humblest of tasks. Eventually he was struck with illness, too. He didn't give in to it. He kept on going when he was so sick he could hardly stand. Finally, he could go on no longer. But from the cot on which he was to die, he continued to give spiritual help to the men who came to him.

There are GIs who remember the last time they saw Father Kaupaun. His face still strong, his square jaw still firm. He asked them to remember the things he had taught them, asked them to carry a message back home, saying that he'd died a happy death, asking them to pray for him that he might be received into Heaven.

The possibilities of a film like this are unlimited. Done without any false heroics, done with intelligence, it could be one of the best films of the year. I even have an idea of who might play the role of Father Kapaun. Mark Stevens would be my choice — most of all, he facially resembles the priest but because he is a good, intelligent actor, too.

Now what do you do? I'm not too sure that will work here. Eventually I'll send this suggestion to some of the film companies but that's just something I'll be doing and the work of this column is not just my work but our work. So, to lend weight to the suggestions, how about you pledging you'll support such a film. Just a postal card or a letter with the names of all who promise they'll not only attend such a film but urge others to do so, too.

Maybe this isn't a good idea because I'm going to need an awful lot of letters and names for it to mean anything—somewhere close to 100,000 maybe and that's a lot of cards and letters to expect. But if you want to take part in this cooperative positive effort be sure to take time to write.

This is the first of the films that this column is suggesting. It is sort of a bridge to the kind of films I think can be made successfully, films more definitely spritual. But because it is a film that combines secular and spiritual values, it is a film that some alert producer can make with an expectation of financial and artistic success.

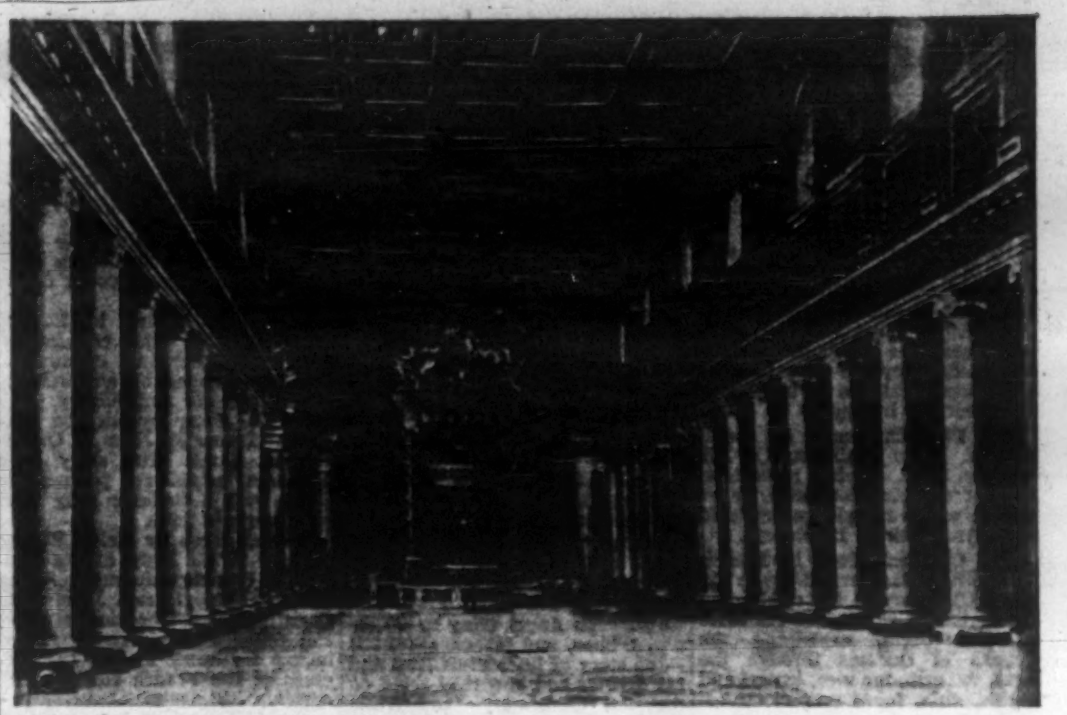
As I said, I'm asking an awful lot of you. If I'm going to have enough names to carry any real weight it is going to mean that everyone of you will have to send a card or a letter. This is a Christopher effort that depends not on me but us. I'm about the only columnist who will be constantly asking you to do things but if you understand the purpose of this column you understand that you are more important than I am to the success of it.

Just send your cards and letters to Dale Francis, Our Sunday Visitor, Huntington, Indiana.

THE GREAT DIAMOND ROBBERY (MGM) Red Skelton has made another movie. It is much like his others and if you like him then you'll enjoy this. There is a two million dollar diamond. Red is the trusted employee who cares for the diamond. Some crooks decide to take advantage of Red's innocence. If you don't know how it ends then you haven't been paying attention.

MAN CRAZY (20th Century Fox) This film has an *objectionable* lack of moral values, misses fire in what it attempts, yet is a film that deserves an "A" for effort because it is at least different. It is loosely based on a news event you probably read about—the baby sitters who ran off with a man's life savings. In this story the girls are taking care of a drug store when they find $28,000 the druggist had got from bootleg whisky and was hiding from the government. There isn't a person in the film with any concept of morality—and that includes the narrator who winds up by saying it has been the story of a crime without criminals. You'll probably not recognize any of the cast. Only John Brown is known by the public and he is best known as Al on the radio—but not TV—version of "My Friend Irma." It is interesting to note that Mr. Brown grabbed for the Fifth Amendment a couple of weeks back when he was asked about communist activities. So we know who Al used to talk to when he needed advice and would say, "Hello, Joe?"

GERALDINE (Republic) This studio consistently produces good family films. They should be ashamed of this picture which is not only poor entertainment but frequently downright *objectionable*. John Carroll and Stan Freberg are in it. With a few changes it could have been made a much better film and one that would not have offended—it is unfortunate these changes were not made.



WHERE MARIAN YEAR WAS OPENED — Before this high altar in the Basilica of St. Mary Major, Rome, Pope Pius XII recited the special prayer he composed for the 1954 Marian Year during opening ceremonies on Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. A Solemn Pontifical Mass was celebrated in the Basilica by Clemente Cardinal Micara, Vicar General of Rome. The Basilica is adorned with interesting mosaics of Biblical subjects and on two sides are chapels with cupolas. Supporting the baldacchino over the altar are four porphyry columns. The Marian Year marks the 100th anniversary of the definition of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception.

Brother Michael's Quiz

Read this week's installment of BROTHER MICHAEL'S MAGIC carefully. Then try to answer each of the following questions. You may use your catechism or other books to help find the answers. Five right is excellent; four right, very good; three right, passing; two right, poor; and if you get less than two correct, Brother Michael is ashamed of you!

1: When does the Church teach infallibly?

2: Through whom does the Church teach infallibly?

3: How long did Christ promise to be with the Church?

4: What is meant by the indefectibility of the Catholic Church?

5: What is the subject of lesson 13 in the Catechism?

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Ask Us Another

Convincing Answers For All Inquirers

RECENTLY you carried an article in which you emphasized the importance of Apostolic Succession for any Church existing today claiming to be the Church of Christ. Do not Anglicans, as well as the Orthodox Churches claim Apostolic Succession, and is their claim correct?

THE Orthodox Churches did not lose Apostolic Succession when they seceded from the Catholic Church in the eleventh century, but the Anglicans did. The Orthodox did not lose it because they did not change the Ordinal by which Bishops were consecrated, and it was always the intention of the Orthodox Bishops to ordain a priest to offer Mass, and evidently to consecrate Bishops who would ordain other priests for the same purpose.

At the time of the so-called Reformation in England the Ordinal for the consecration of Bishops was changed in such manner that it did not imply any commission for the Bishop, or even for the priest to say Mass, yet the very purpose of a priest, as the name implies, is to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If the intention of the ordaining or consecrating Bishop is not to communicate that power, then evidently it was not conferred, and those who went through that ceremony were not empowered or authorized to consecrate others validly.

When the first Book of Common Prayer was prepared from the Latin Missal, it was also the intention of the compilers to do away with the Mass and the Catholic doctrine of transubstantiation. All altars were ordered destroyed in the churches and the clergy exiled so that there could not be any Mass.

The second Prayer book of 1552 omitted any prayer which could possibly suggest the divine sacrifice.

The Late Pope Leo XIII wrote an Encyclical on Anglican Orders in which he observed:

"The history of that time is sufficiently eloquent of the animus of the authors of the Ordinal against the Catholic Church; as to the abettors whom they associated with themselves from heterodox sects; and as to the end in view . . . Under a pretext of returning to the primitive form, they corrupted the liturgical order in many ways to suit the errors of the Reformers.

"For this reason, in the whole Ordinal not only is there no clear mention of the Sacrifice, but every trace of these things which had been in such prayers of the Church Rite as they had not entirely rejected, was deliberately removed and struck out . . . Once a new rite has been initiated, in which the Sacrament of Orders is adulterated and denied, and from which all idea of Consecration and Sacrifice has been rejected, the formula 'Receive the Holy Spirit' no longer holds good, and so the words 'For the office and work of a Bishop' and the like no longer hold good, but remain as words without the reality which Christ instituted."

The Anglican Church also became heretical as well as schismatic when, in 1559, Parliament, under Queen Elizabeth I, passed the Act of Supremacy, which declared: " The Queen is supreme governor in all things spiritual and temporal." Fifteen out of 16 Catholic Bishops at the time refused to take the Oath of Supremacy to the Queen and were at once deprived of their Sees. Two died in exile, one died in his home and the other twelve were imprisoned until their death.

In December of 1559 Elizabeth had Parker invalidly consecrated Archbishop of Canterbury by the use of the defective Ordinal of Edward VI, and the Catholic Bishops were replaced by invalidly consecrated Calvinist laymen, some of whose names were Grindal, Jewel, Cox, Sandys, Parkhurst, Pilkington.

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Editors' views on current events and others' comments

They Tell The Truth

YOU probably have read in the paper that many of the Vatican's priceless ancient manuscripts have been microfilmed, and they will be housed in a new Memorial Library to be erected in St. Louis where writers and historians may have access to them.

Those who pretend to know more than the Catholic Church does about what was taught and believed by all of Christendom for more than one thousand years do not seem to know that the Catholic Church can prove, while others cannot, what was of faith in any given century from the time of Christ. The Catholic Church has a continuous diary going back to the time of Constantine, who gave liberty to the Church in the early fourth century. Much of this diary fills many large volumes entitled "The Acts of the Councils," and they have been translated into the English language. The Catacombs in Rome are the best source of information about faith and practice before Constantine. Pope Leo XIII permitted Ludwig Pastor, a German historian, to search the Vatican archives and library and also notified the entire world that historians might come there to verify whether their own impressions were true or not. The invitation was accepted by many modern historians, and they were astounded to see how badly history had been written by earlier partisan historians. Leo XIII declared at that time that the church had no need to fear the truth—nor has she today.

Each microfilm is very, very small, yet the new library, to be built at the St. Louis University, founded in the year 1818, will cost between $4,000,000.00 to $5,000,000.00. Plans are under way to have construction work begin late in the year 1954.

Historians prior to the sixteenth century were practically all Catholics, and their Church was not, like governments today, disposed to hide facts. We are reading in the daily papers right now that the present Washington administration will be more generous to editors and writers by permitting publicity of many facts which were hitherto deemed necessary to keep secret.

You do not suppose that the Communist rulers in Russia, or in the satellite countries, would permit visitors from other countries to have access to information which they did not want to have publicized. But what Russia is now doing was done in Germany, England and other countries after the Reformation. Kings and princes had too much to do with making the so-called Reformation possible, to allow contemporary writers to publicize how guilty they were in their respective countries.

FOR A SPIRITUAL OBSERVANCE — An increasing number of communities across the nation are striving each year to emphasize the spiritual aspects of Christmas. In Milwaukee, the campaign is led by the National Council of Catholic Women, and this "Put Christ Back Into Christmas" slogan has been erected on the City Hall building each year.

Today the greatest churches in Germany, England, Sweden, Norway, Denmark date back to Catholic days. They are now used by other religions after having been confiscated by the rulers then in power. This is something which Protestants probably never hear about, yet these most famous churches and educational institutions, including even Oxford and Cambridge, were built by Catholics and without compensation were turned over to Anglicans, or Lutherans or Presbyterians. There is no record of former Protestant institutions now occupied by Catholics unless, if there be a few instances, they were purchased.

In Norway, for instance, may be found many large churches, built of stone, now in the hands of the Lutherans. A King brought about the destruction of the Catholic Church beginning in the year 1537 for purely political reasons, as we are told by most reliable historians. The truth about the matter was written lately by Gail Hoddington, for the Bulletin of St. Angar's Scandinavian League of New York.

Catholicity came into Norway in the ninth century. The King was ruler of both Norway and Denmark when he brought in Lutheranism, and threatened any person who might retain or embrace the Catholic faith with capital punishment. Evidently that would eliminate any Church. His decree banning the Catholic religion altogether continued in force until the year 1814, when Norway declared its independence of foreign domination, and adopted a new Constitution in which religious freedom was restored with one exception, namely, "Jesuits must not be tolerated." Presently there is a movement, which is winning support in the nation, to strike out that clause from the Constitution.

Up until that time the law read also: "Jews are strictly prohibited from entering the country."

Yet the Lutherans in this country remind us so frequently that their Church believes in the separation of Church and State. It was their religion in Norway which forbade both Jews and Catholics to live there for three centuries.

What is said of Norway is also true of Sweden and Denmark, both Lutheran countries.

This does not mean that the Lutheran people are deeply devoted to their faith in these countries. They have become quite indifferent, but since they enjoy certain civil liberties under a government which has union with their Church, they remain attached to it.

In Sweden there presently exists a sentiment in favor of having that country open diplomatic relations with the Vatican.

Way To Keep

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entrance, and received nothing but compliments. Other Nativity scenes were used by the First National Bank in Augusta, Georgia; the First National Bank in Alton, Illinois on the City Hall steps in [illegible]rd, New Jersey; in the [illegible] of the American Trust Co[illegible] in Charlotte, North Carolina in each case, the Infant Jesus was the central figure, and people were genuinely glad that Christ was back in Christmas.

Start At Home

Christmas parades are becoming more popular in many communities. Santa Claus usually rides a big sleigh, and sometimes the paraders forget about Christ. But not in Alexandria, Louisiana, last year: first prize went to a float entered by telephone company employees which showed the Crib and the words, "Peace on Earth."

You can do the same thing. The approach to take is the one of the Christophers. Do something about Christmas yourself. Let your children exchange gifts, sure, but make sure they have something for the poor, too. Tell them about Santa Claus, but tell them about the Babe at Bethlehem, too. Decorate a big tree in your living room, but have a Nativity Scene under it—and an angel on the tallest branch.

Father Keller urges his Christophers to exercise the same sort of discretion when buying toys. One shop, reported Father Keller, this year advertises "all the new Christmas toys, including a life-like atom bomb set and toy poison gas." That ad speaks for itself. The Christ who promised to bring us peace didn't intend His birthday to be celebrated with weapons of destruction.

You can even exercise a restraining hand at office and neighborhood parties. Gluttony and drunkenness are not part of the Christmas theme. If your office or your club has a Christmas chorus, see that the program has some songs about Christ. Yes, "Jingle Bells" and "The Winter Song" and "Winter Wonderland" are all appropriate to the season, but not to Jesus. So get your director to include "Gesu Bambino" and "Holy Night" and a few more that tell the real story of Christmas.

To us, it has always seemed that there might be two sides to Christmas. There is the special magic of Christmas Eve, when children go to bed starry-eyed, when Santa comes down the chimney with gifts and a tree. But there is also Christmas morning, when the whole family goes to Mass and Holy Communion together—taking to God the gift of their own purity and devotion happily, with overflowing joy. Midnight Mass is a fine custom, but if it means that parents and children attend separate Masses, there is something wrong. At the first Christmas, the Holy Family was together—make it that way on your Christmas, too.

You can't avoid excitement as Christmas approaches. There will be thoughts of cards and gifts, and last-minute rushing around as company drops in or you suddenly remember that you forgot to put Aunt Jenny on the list for a present. That's all right; it's part of Christmas. But don't let it drive out the real meaning of Christmas. Take time out to dwell on the events of that first wondrous Christmas Day.

Go to bed on Christmas Eve with your last thoughts on Mary and Joseph. Think of them as friends and neighbors, who are expecting a child. Look out your window on that cold, clear air; stare up at the stars and think of the wonder that is going to happen.

Then—when you wake up on Christmas morning, think first to yourself, "Mary had a Baby last night. Happy Birthday, Jesus. I wonder what You'd like for a Christmas present!"

When Will World

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United States, despite its philanthropic, charitable heart, is itself drifting farther and farther away from the moral standards of the gospel, and is doing little to reform the lives of its own citizenry.

It is time for the people of this nation, as well as those of all nations, to repent, to get down on their knees, and pledge to give unto God the things that are God's before they can reasonably hope for continued help from Him. The everlasting salvation of man is the one reason for his existence, and God cannot be expected to give the "other things" until both the individuals and the nations collectively will "seek first the Kingdom of God" (Matt. 6:33).

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STILL TIME

Yes, if you send in right away, you'll still be in time to have us send our GIFT CARD to a friend or loved one, nun or priest, telling them that for Christmas you have arranged for a missionary to offer Mass for them or that you gave a gift to a mission chapel in their honor. A souvenir of PRESSED FLOWERS FROM THE HOLY LAND is enclosed and we'll gladly send it direct for you.

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YOU PREACH CHRIST TO HIS POOR

In the hills of Lebanon, high above the Mediterranean is Choueifat. Msgr. McMahon wrote from there recently: "Three years ago I started a school for the refugee children and I had to ask the priest, some miles away, to come on foot to instruct them. I had to ask the people to walk these miles on Sundays to the Church. Now my heartiest desire is to give these exiles a little chapel, for they are a new Catholic community in the area. Can you help me raise $1,000 to give them a worthly House of God? You preach Christ to them. You preach all His mercy when you help us."

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On his recent trip through our Near East missions Msgr. McMahon again saw the pitiable poverty of our missionary priests who depend almost entirely on your MASS OFFERINGS for their support. Remember them when you have Masses to be offered. In thanks for your past kindness the Patriarch of Jerusalem and ten of his priests will say MASSES AT BETHLEHEM'S CRIB ON CHRISTMAS for you and yours, beginning with Midnight Mass.

NOEL, NOEL

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A Non-Catholic Looks Us Over

Demands Truth, Not Emotion In Religion

BETTY JEFFRIES

JONAH had a great deal to do with my losing my religion. My Presbyterian religion, I mean.

At the beginning of Christmas vacation of my senior year at college I met a woman from our church on the train. I had a book with me, one written by a well-known professor of mine. It was on the Bible.

Contrary to most opinions, my professors were Christians. Maybe I was lucky. At any rate, this particular book was a series of lectures on various Biblical stories with details of existent manuscripts and who wrote which part and from whence did it all come.

My acquaintance wanted to see it. I gave it to her and she became immersed for the rest of the journey.

A few days later she came to see my mother. It was a serious occasion. For she came to tell mother I was an atheist. An enemy of the church. A traitor. A free thinker. And definitely a Christian menace.

Why? Because I was a protege of the teacher who wrote the book which she had read in which was printed the sacriligious statement that Jonah and the belly of the whale was a story almost every ancient civilization could duplicate in some form or another.

Now, concluded the church member triumphantly, if Jonah wasn't swallowed by the whale exactly as the Bible describes it, our religion falls apart and that can't be, so the teacher is a liar and your daughter a spiritual leper. "Cleanse her," she admonished, and stalked off.

Fortunately for me my mother was a sensible woman and when Genesis said "Six days," she accepted the fact that a day in the plan of God may be and probably was thousands, perhaps millions, of years long. She wasn't going to lose her faith if it turned out not to be the 24-hour span we have here on earth. So we forgot the woman's accusation and went on as before, leaving poor Jonah and his whale strictly alone.

Since then I've met quite a few similar devotees of the strict interpretation. The strict observance. One usually tries to exhort people to a greater zeal in their religious duties. This time I'm writing about those excessive fanatics whose misguided extremes often . . . too often . . . put people off things spiritual completely.

Chain Prayers

These are the people who leave printed notes in the pews for priests to tear up. Notes with one or two lines of prayer on them and a great paragraph about the effectiveness of the lines. Say them everyday and the world is yours. Guaranteed. These are also the people who call doubters possessed and jam the houses of self-proclaimed "visionaries."

I probably would never have taken these souls to task were it not that I am currently being beseiged by a couple of spiritual eager-beavers. One is convinced I'm possessed by the devil because I've deserted my own church for the Catholic point of view. The other has almost come to the same conclusion because I won't write her long history of "miracles" and "visits from God" and I refuse her guaranteed sure-fire prayers to every saint in the book and a couple that haven't yet made it.

I don't know either of these excessively religious souls. Only by mail. They apparently know me perfectly. One doesn't announce possession until one is fully acquainted with all the facts. I lost interest completely in my own church because, among other reasons, it seemed faith meant Jonah in the whale or no faith at all. Fortunately I see the full meaning of Catholicism and am not put off by superstitious persons who confuse religion with their own brand of voodoo.

Much of my study of the Church is done with one of our Bishops. He is a man of great intelligence, brilliance, and humor. Most of my technical Catholic training has been received from him. Those of you who have written to me suggesting possible order priests for instructions need not worry. I have been studying Catholic theology and moral law and practices for over a year under one of the Church's most excellent teachers.

He, in the course of his work, comes across many souls who err through excess. Sometimes through scruples. Always the problem is difficult. Those who ignore the Blessed Sacrament to kneel at the foot of Mary don't realize the grief they cause the mother of God when they neglect her Son. Those whose faith rises and falls on the number of apparitions apparent in the world don't seem to know the nails of indifference they are pounding in Christ's hands by their lack of attention to Him and His Sacred Heart.

I'm not writing now of the Catholics who chew holy pictures for their health. Nor those with strings of Rosaries around their necks. Just of the few who seem to have lost sight of the main reason for the Faith even existing . . . of Christ Himself. The few who think some outward superstition suffices for inward truth.

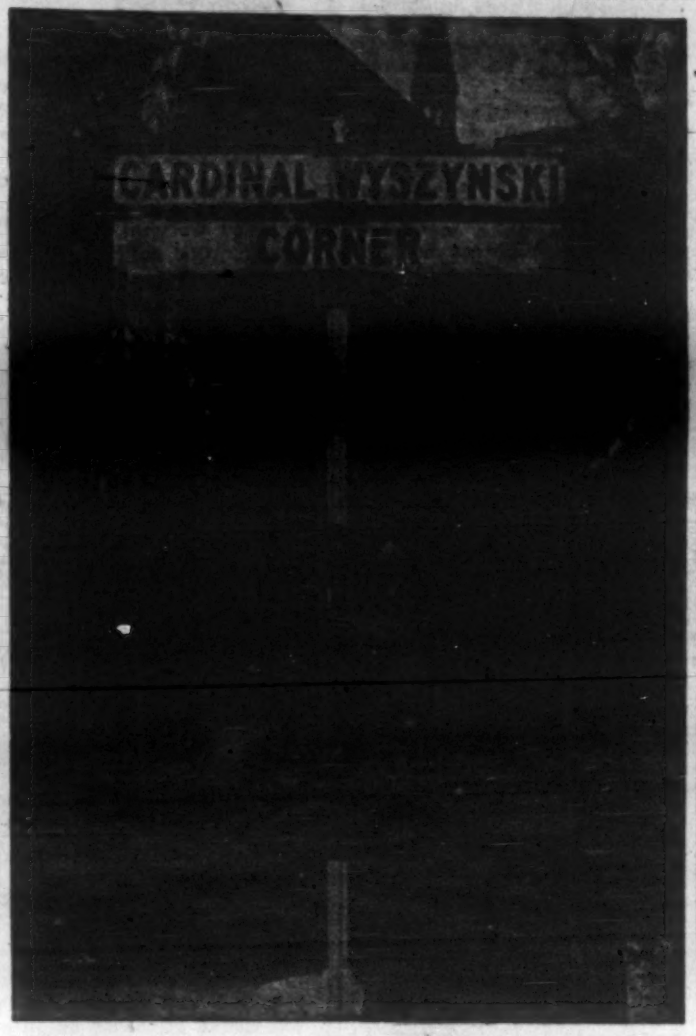
Truth Not Emotion

A writer gets all kinds of mail. And it's all welcome. But sometimes the screwballs become tiresome. Like the poor individual who solemnly decided I was a priest in disguise, their emotions run away with their good sense.

I was always told Catholicism was the least emotional religion there is. It is the religion of reason. I doubted this for a long time because, unfortunately, the most noisy Catholics are the few with the superstitions. The vast majority lead their lives quietly, hiding their light under a bushel of conservative and hidden deeds.

I know today that statement is true. Catholicism is not emotional. It alone is for the logic of the intellect, the unemotional love of the soul. In spite of the few who never quite get the Church point, anyone knowing a Catholic, watching his way of life, needing his help knows what a complete and reasoned thing his religion is.

What difference does it make if Jonah and his whale don't appeal to some of us? If an apparition turns out to be false? Christ is true, it is His Church, and He alone will be with it until the end of time. At least, this is truth as you proclaim it to me.



INTERSECTION NAMED FOR CARDINAL—A busy street intersection in Detroit has been named "Cardinal Wyszynski Corner" by action of the Common Council as a tribute to Stefan Cardinal Wyszynski, Primate of Poland, whe recently was arrested in Warsaw and banished to an unknown place. Standing at the sign post is Father Alojzy Guzicki, pastor of St. Albertus church, oldest Polish parish in Detroit, located at the intersection. A special Mass for Cardinal Wyszynski and all persecuted Poles was said in the church at the designation of Edward Cardinal Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit. Other Masses for the Polish Cardinal were held in churches throughout the city, along with a civic rally staged to protest his banishment.

A Word To Non-Catholics

The First Freedom

MICHAEL MONDAY

UP until 1833, Massachusetts had the Congregational as its State-church. As such it was the "Established Church" or, as the Federal Constitution would call it, an "Establishment of Religion"—that is, a church officially favored by the government.

In England to this day the Establishment is what we know as the Episcopal Church and the King of England by law must be an Episcopalian. If he were to become a Methodist, say, or a Lutheran, his action would throw the country into a furore, and probably bring about a constitutional crisis. He'd have to abicate, as King Edward VIII was forced to do when he married Wally Simpson, an American divorcee.

In Scotland, the Establishment is Presbyterianism, which is known there as "The Church of Scotland." In Sweden, it's the Lutheran Church. In Spain, the Catholic Church. Official favor in those countries takes the form of special privileges for the chosen, maybe in tax-exemptions, payment by the government of salaries and pensions to the ministers of the "pet" church, etc. And while it doesn't mean that there is no liberty for creeds other than the established one, those other creeds are put at a comparative disadvantage. The favored church is given a head start or, one might better say, the other creeds are put under a handicap.

Until the time of the American Revolution in 1776, only three of the original thirteen colonies were without State-churches. New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Georgia had established "The Church of England"—which, after the break with the mother-country, became known as the Episcopal Church; Massachusetts (including Maine), New Hampshire (including Vermont), and Connecticut, gave official favor to the Congregationalists. And, curiously, to this day the Constitution of New Hampshire allows the State to legislate "for adequate provision . . . for the support and maintenance of public Protestant teachers of piety, religion, and morality!" But in 1776, only Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, and Delaware were without an official "Establishment."

On Sept. 25, 1789, however, the First Amendment to our Constitution was formulated, forbidding—not impartial cooperation with all churches, but banning the playing of favoritism by the Federal Government on behalf of any particular church: "Congress shall make no law," it decrees, "respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."—The first item on our Bill of Rights!

"Literature," said G. K. Chesterton, "is a luxury; fiction is a necessity. . . . The simple need for some kind of ideal world in which fictitious persons play an unhampered part is infinitely deeper and older than the rules of good art, and much more important."

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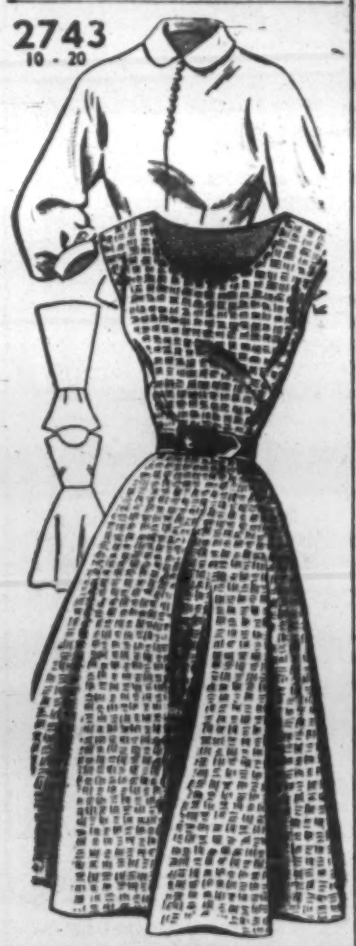

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You will help the cause of the Legion of Decency if you confine your movie-going to class A or A-1 pictures. See the classification of pictures on page 11 of this issue.

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I also promise to apply the principles of this pledge to all my reading.

Totalitarian

Let us face it. God is totalitarian. It is the defect of the Protestant liberal mind that limits His revelation to suit particular nations or particular times. God is not an elected committee. He cannot change His message for a place or age.—**Rev. Joseph Christie, S. J.**

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Books Make Lasting Christmas Presents

FOR the past weeks we have been running a list of books suitable for Christmas giving. Confident that a list of books about Christmas itself will be helpful, we recommend the following:

Spiritual Steps to Christmas by Very Rev. Msgr. Aloysius Coogan. Bruce Publishing Co. Milwaukee. $2.25. A thought a day through Advent. In short, easily digested sentences, the meditations keep the reader close to "the sweetest story ever told" as it unfolds in the Church's liturgy.

The First Christmas by Denis O'Shea. Bruce Publishing Co. Milwaukee. $3.00. A vivid reconstruction of the birth of Jesus by an author whose knowledge and skill takes you back to Bethlehem.

The Christmas Book by Francis X. Weiser, Harcourt, Brace & Co. $3.00. The story of the celebration of Christmas in all the countries of the world, explaining the growth of customs through the ages, the crib, the tree, hymns and carols, gifts, foods served, etc.

Christmastide, edited by Wm. Roenrenbeck. Thomas More Association. Chicago. $3.75. Catholic tales from the world's best literature, compiled in a big book that will help foster the true Christmas spirit.

The Common Man by G. K. Chesterton. Sheed & Ward. $3.00. A collection of Chesterton's Christmas work.

For Children

This Way to Christmas by Ruth Sawyer (Harper). The tale of a lonely little boy's fears for an unhappy Christmas. Woven into the story are Christmas legends of the world.

The Trees Kneel at Christmas by Maud Hart Lovelace (Crowell). The 7-year-old daughter of a devout Syrian family in Brooklyn sees a Syrian legend come to life on Christmas Eve.

The Small One by Charles Tazewell (Winston). Pablo's donkey refuses to move; his stubbornness is really pride, the Padre explains—the pride of all donkeys since the day one was chosen to carry the Mother of God.

Pedro, the Angel of Olvera Street by Leo Politi (Scribner's). Christmas in the Mexican quarter of Los Angeles, with its Posada procession which re-enacts Mary's and Joseph's search for shelter.

Marta the Doll by Eloise Longsbery (Longman's). Story of a devout Polish family which reaches its climax when little Marysia's prayers for the return of her lost doll are answered on Christmas Eve.

Cat Royal by Charles Brady (Sheed & Ward). A magnificent story of the Three Kings and the three royal cats as they journey from the East to find the Holy Child.

Christmas by Alice Dalgliesh (Scribner's). Considered one of the best anthologies.

We are indebted to the Catechetical Guild 1953 kit, "Christmas is Christ's Birthday," for the above list. From the Guild Press list, we suggest: **Angel Wing** by O'Connor, O'Shea, and Mahoney ($2.25)—the story of little Fluff Bird and her friends and how they acted on the first Christmas; and **While Angels Watch** by Rev. Gerard Scriven ($3.00)—little angels tell the story of Christ from the day of His birth to the day of His ascension into Heaven.

The Catechetical Guild Press, originators of "First Books for Little Catholics," offer two special Christmas packs, containing one each of the four "First Books" at $1.00 per set. First Book Pack No. 1 contains copies of **My Little Missal, Let's Pray, First Life of Christ, and The Rosary.** First Book Christmas Pack No. 2 contains copies of **My Confession, God's Story Book, Hail Mary, and I Believe.** Each set of four is Christmas wrapped, with a to-from label on the wrapping paper, and may be ordered and sent direct from the Catechetical Guild, 147 East Fifth St., St. Paul 1, Minn.

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Louis Martin's Daughter by James E. Bulger. $2.75. An unusual approach to the Little Flower by an imaginative re-creation of the life of her father.

The Woman Shall Conquer by Don Sharkey. $3.75. A record of the apparitions of Our Lady to the modern world by a young Catholic author inspiringly devoted to the Blessed Mother.

This Is the Seminary by Rev. Joseph Rawley Meyers. $2.00. A glimpse behind the walls of a diocesan seminary acquainting the beginner with the prayer, study, play and steps towards ordination.

God and the General's Daughter by Anne Heagney. $2.75. Juvenile biography of Frances Margaret Allen, daughter of Revolutionary War General Ethan Allen—who became a convert and the first nun from New England.

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Edward Leen, C.S.S.P. by Michael O'Carroll, $3.50. First biography of the great spiritual writer of modern times.

Obedience by Various Authors. Translated from the French. $4.00. Third publication of a series of symposia, convened by the editor of **La Vie Spirituelle**, discussing the question of obedience and the modern nun.

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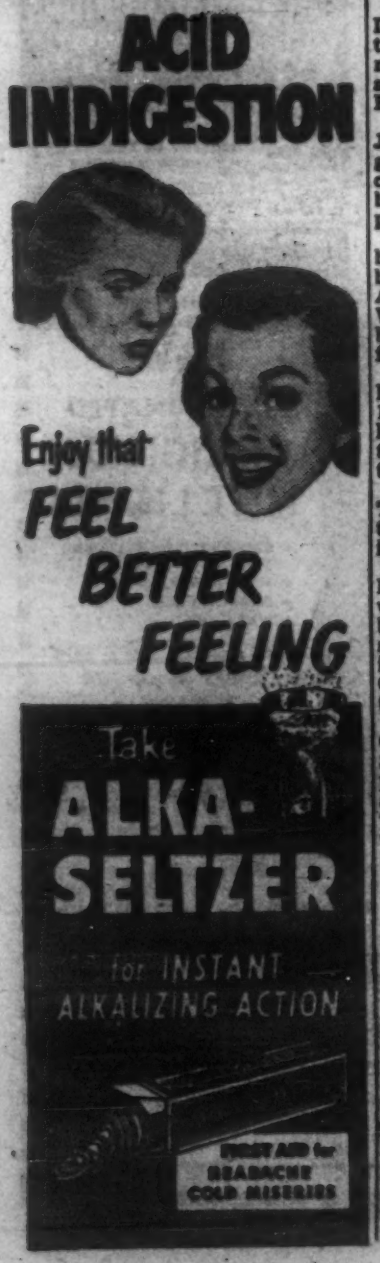

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Did Luther Receive A Special Revelation?

This discussion deals with article on page one. Please be sure to read it carefully.

JOHN: Do you know some organizers of religions who claim to have had a special revelation from God?

MARY: But how about Martin Luther, who founded a new religion four centuries ago?

CHARLES: In what way do Protestants claim that Martin Luther reformed the Church?

ANN: Who were the early Christians?

Questions For The Class

It would seem, therefore, that if Luther did away with the Mass and with five Sacraments, repudiated Purgatory, and prayers for the dead, he actually changed doctrine. Is that true?

CLASS: Yes. He did change doctrine, which no human being could possibly be commissioned to do. Morals can be reformed, and if Luther had confined himself to that Catholics themselves would probably be praising Luther for that and, probably, there would be no Protestantism.

But did he reform morals?

CLASS: No. According to his own words he failed even in that, and the best historians of our day, disagreeing with partisan historians of the Reformation times, claim that morals became worse rather than better after the Reformation —both in Germany and in England.

Did Luther claim infallibility for himself?

CLASS: He did not actually profess it, but by not allowing any one to question the correctness of his teaching, he implied his infallibility.

What was his chief teaching?

CLASS: It was "Justification by faith alone."

What did he mean by that?

CLASS: He meant that nothing is prescribed for man's salvation except for him to repent of his sins and accept Christ as his personal Savior. According to him good works were as "filthy rages," having no merit whatsoever.

Did that agree with the teaching of Christ and the Apostles?

CLASS: No. Christ, in answering the young man, declared that "keeping the Commandments" was necessary for salvation. Peter also taught that our eternal election is decided by "our good works." Of course, he assumed that the person who performed those good works also had faith in God and in the divinity of Christ. St. James tells us that "faith without good works is dead."

Who is the better interpreter of the Bible, the Catholic Church or any of the Synods of the Lutheran Church?

CLASS: Evidently the Catholic Church, which gave the New Testament to the world, which preserved it through the centuries, which, in the fourth century, declared it to be a book of inspired writings, and which Christ promised to be with and protect "all days." Only that Church can claim divine backing for the interpretation of Holy Scripture when matters of faith or morals are concerned, and when the teaching is to reach the entire world. For unity as well as certainty people need a Supreme Court divinely protected.

Has Lutheranism changed much during the centuries?

CLASS: Yes, it has changed much. Modern Lutheranism in Germany is hardly the Lutheranism of Luther. In our own country there are more than 20 different Synods, and they came into existence chiefly because of differences in relation to doctrine. One who lived outside of Germany during the time of the Reformation and knew that different reformers were at work in different countries, yet opposed one another, could only be confused concerning who, if any, among the several was right. Since none of them had any other credentials than their private interpretation of the Bible, none could speak with authority.

Booklet On Luther Film

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ALBERTA SCHUMACHER

THERE is something about our Catholic people that bothers me. I have felt this strange distress in rooms crowded with people waiting to hear a famous lecturer, or to hear an eminent professor come to give a book review. I have felt it at teas and dinners given for Catholic authors. Once I felt it in the attitude of the people toward a priest with an exceptionally dynamic personality and attractiveness of person.

It is not that I am "allergic" to crowds exactly, though I have a natural preference for intimate small groups with much in common. Still, the crowds in which I felt distress had something very much in common, too. I thought of it as I studied today's Gospel.

There was the crowd that waited for the lecturer. They discussed his handsome appearance, his good speaking voice, his clever use of words. When he entered the expectant room an exaggerated hush fell over the people, and the hush bothered me. He spoke well then, and he spoke of God and the things of God. But afterward, people still talked only of his handsome appearance, his speaking voice, and his clever use of words. They missed the whole point when they said "He's wonderful!" The point is that God is wonderful.

It was the same with the book reviewers and authors. The crowd marvelled at the fine review, the talented author, and the attractive format of the book. The book was about God and the things of God. But the crowd spoke not of God, nor marvelled at His works.

One day there came to our town a speaker who spoke rather poorly, a man who looked train-weary and wrinkled. Yet I had seen this man look immaculate in another town where he came to speak. I had heard him speak eloquently. It would almost seem he was deliberately mediocre.

The crowd was disappointed, but I was intrigued. I wondered what was going on in his mind. When he ended his speech with a ringing (in contrast to the beginning and middle of the speech) declaration, "May I ever diminish that He may increase in your hearts, and may my book ever speak to hearts with a quiet voice rather than a brilliant voice!" I began to understand. I knew he, too, had felt my distress when he added, "May my book and I never intrude on hallowed ground." Truly, here was a humble speaker of God and the things of God who was weary of people's missing the whole point of his endeavors by not giving God first attention and recognizing him as a mere humble instrument of God.

Christ To Men

The priest that I mentioned in the first paragraph also wanted only to bring Christ to men and men to Christ, but the natural gifts God had given him were getting in the way of people's seeing Christ, through no fault of the priest's. He preached often on his own unworthiness, for he, too, desired to "diminish that Christ might increase." Then he developed a rather annoying small fault. Somehow it served only to call attention away from his near-perfection toward the Real Perfection of God. I often wondered if that small helpful fault was his way of diminishing that Christ might increase, God love him.

I think John the Baptist could have felt some of this same distress over crowd adulation, for in today's Gospel we read: "Why, then, dost thou baptize, if thou art not the Christ, nor Elias, nor the Prophet?" John said to them in answer, "I baptize with water; but in the midst of you there has stood one whom you do not know. He it is who is to come after me, who has been set above me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to loose." Note the sincere humility and love of God.

Let us then cease to take too much pride in the natural gifts God has given to some, or in the recipient of such gifts. In the case of men and women working sincerely for God, it is embarrassing to them to have people "bow and scrape." It is frustrating, for all their efforts are directed toward getting people to kneel before God and give Him the credit He deserves and does not get.

With humble Catholic speakers (however fine of appearance and ringing of voice) it is so. With humble Catholic writers, however clever of pen, it is so. It is they who seek to make people aware of the One in our midst Whom people have not known! They wish to diminish that He might increase in our hearts.

Did Luther?

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Apostles to write, even though Mark and Luke were not Apostles, they must admit that they have no authority except that of the Catholic Church for accepting the inspiration of the Bible at all.

St. John tells us that not all that Jesus said or did is contained in the Bible. To justify the position that the New Testament, as we have it, contains the entire revelation of Christ, they are forced to maintain that what was not written down among the things which Jesus said and did, and was not preserved, could not be essential. But have they proof for that contention?

St. Vincent of Lerins said that all things which were believed at all times by all Christians must be true. Abraham Lincoln defended that proposition when he said that you cannot fool "all of the people all of the time." Philosophy teaches that universal belief is a strong criterion of truth.

Now what Catholics believed at the time of the Reformation, and what they believe now, was believed by all Christians throughout many centuries. There were schisms from the Catholic Church. Those groups which seceded or which taught different doctrines cut themselves off from the Church, and in the course of time kept on dividing. But there are no divisions among those who are still within the fold and that number exceeds by more than 100,000,000 the total membership of all Protestantism.

How could Lutherans prove that Luther was infallible, but Calvin and Zwingli, "reformers" at the same time, were wrong?

The Missouri Synod Lutherans tell us that Lutheranism itself was going Calvinist in Germany; that the Kaiser, nominal head of the Lutheran Church, had gone Calvinist.

Why is it that so many Protestant churchmen claim that a new "reformation" is needed if those of the sixteenth century were God-sent?

Why is it that the different Protestant parent religions have gone pretty much to pieces in the countries of their origin?

Even in the countries where Lutheranism is the State Church and, therefore, enjoys considerable prestige, there is about as much indifference in the matter of religious practice as over here. In England, where the Catholic Church was not even allowed to function from the time of Elizabeth I until a century ago, there are more practicing Catholics than there are practicing Anglicans or Methodists or Presbyterians.

We have been reading much in the press in recent years about a trend towards Rome among the Lutherans in Germany. Many of them believe that the Mass should be reintroduced; also confession; also the reservation of the Eucharist; also more devotion (not worship) to the Mother of Jesus, both as the perfect human creature, and as the Mother of the Redeemer—and particularly because, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, she foretold that "all generations" would call her "blessed." (Luke I, 48). Calvinist leaders at the international headquarters in Switzerland also advocate the restoration of these Catholic practices.

GOD LOVE YOU

Most Reverend

Fulton J. Sheen

GOD Love You has been used at the end of broadcasts and God Love You has been used as the title of this column. God Love You has been used as our personal greeting, and God Love You has been used as our personal greetings, and God Love You has been used to thank those who have helped the Holy Father's Missions.

Now we want God Love You to become a blessing and a prayer. One day it struck us that there were ten letters in God Love You. In other words, it was a decade on which you could say your prayers. Out of that idea came the God Love You Medal. On one side of the medal is the cross impressed upon the whole earth—the seal of the Holy Father's Society for the Propagation of the Faith. On the other side, as pictured here, is the Blessed Mother. The ten letters in the words "God Love You" are raised and frame the entire medal and thus form a decade on which prayers may be said.

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to help you count 10 before you get mad
when waiting in line for confession
when the telephone line is busy
when the dentist is boring

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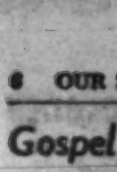

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CECILIA WADE

Dear Jane:

WHAT do you want for Christmas? Believe me, Jane, the teen-agers in our parish got something very special two nights ago when Father Gene came to tell us about his Friendship Club. You remember that I wrote you about the young priest from Ohio who is a friend of our pastor's? He convinced us that one of God's choicest gifts is friendship.

I jotted down some of the things Father Gene told us as he encouraged us to become apostles of friendship. "Friendship is a spiritual communication between members of the Mystical Body. It stretches the heart and enriches the soul. There has been so much written and sung about romantic live in the juvenile world that young people have neglected to learn the most rewarding art of friendship. And it is an art, a fascinating science of the heart."

All of us present to hear Father Gene speak formed (in an informal way) a Friendship Club of our own. That question with which I began this letter was Father Gene's idea. He said if we would take notice of each person we meet, and think the question through in our minds, pertaining to the person met—"What do you want for Christmas?"—we could answer it for the other party—"Friendship!"—and be right 99.9% of the time.

Our Friendship Club has set itself a sliding goal of extending friendship to as many lonely people as possible during the holiday season. This does not mean an indiscreet mixing with the wrong type of people. We stay within our own Catholic group for mixed social affairs. Still, there is always the opportunity for a heart-warming smile or little act of helpfulness even to those we must avoid as close friends because of occasions of evil for us in their lives.

More about the club next week. Don't forget that if you asked the Christ Child what He wants for Christmas, the answer would be "Friends," too! Let's make some for Him . . . special for Christmas.

Till next week,

Anne

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THE GROCER CAME OUT AND HE STARTED TO SHOUT, "WHO DID IT? HE'LL CERTAINLY PAY." THEN PETER SAID, "I HIT THAT HIGH-FLYING FLY, THOUGH THE OTHERS HAVE ALL RUN AWAY."

THEN THE GROCER CALMED DOWN (THOUGH HE STILL WORE A FROWN). HE SAID, "WHY DID YOU TELL ME YOU DID IT?" PETER SAID, "IT IS TRUE THAT I MIGHT HAVE FOOLED YOU, BUT THE RULES OF TRUTH ALL FORBID IT."

"ONE VIRTUE I'VE KNOWN (AND I HOPE IS MY OWN) HAS HELPED ME IN EVERY CAPACITY. IT LEADS ME TO DO ONLY THAT WHICH IS TRUE, AND THE NAME OF IT, SIR, IS VERACITY."

"VERACITY SHOWS US THAT EVERYONE KNOWS US BY THAT WHICH WE SAY AND WE DO. SO THE HONEST MAN LIVES BY THE LAWS THAT GOD GIVES, ALWAYS SAYING AND DOING WHAT'S TRUE."

ROGER

I HAD MY BREAKFAST, MOM. I HAVE TO GET TO CHURCH EARLY TO SING IN THE CHOIR.

ALL RIGHT, ROGER WE'LL SEE YOU AFTER MASS.

OH, MY GOODNESS GRACIOUS!

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I ALWAYS THINK THE CHOIR BOYS LOOK LIKE LITTLE ANGELS, DON'T YOU?

NOT ALWAYS.

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by Father Demetrius Manousos, O.F.M., Cap. Artist: Addison Burbank

NEXT WEEK:
A NEW ADVENTURE —
HEROD'S PERSECUTION

Father Conroy Talking

Give A Hand

WITH all the talk today about juvenile delinquency it seems to me that we miss an important point, namely, that the juvenile has something to do with it.

We can blame society if we want to. We can blame the parents. We can blame everyone in sight, but if in so doing we pass up the youth themselves, we are going to keep right on having "juvenile delinquency" or a reasonable facsimile thereof.

Last week in discussing possible causes of juvenile delinquency, I mentioned that all else being considered, the greatest need for youth today is "the return to the family circle." I also said that it is not entirely up to the parents to bring this about. The youth themselves have a responsibility in the matter. And now to draw this out a bit.

A boy (or girl) who expects his parents to take on the full burden of making the home livable, is simply not being fair. I know hundreds of good parents who are doing everything in their power to give their children a good pleasant home. But where are the kids? Well, I don't know but they aren't at home. And why not? In most cases this is the answer: things are too dull. Nothing going on at home. Or as one boy told me (and he comes from a good home) "I go nuts around there!"

Let's Face Facts

Let's face it. Too many of us expect our mothers and dads to take the whole load. If the home is not a pleasant place to live—it's their fault. If things are dull at home we go somewhere else—and liven that place up!

We can sparkle and shine at meetings, social events and drug store gab sessions, but the home never sees that side of our personality. On these occasions we take pains to see that everyone enjoys himself, but at home everyone else has to see that we enjoy ourselves—or else.

Have you ever thought about your own responsibility in making the home a real home? Has it ever occurred to you that you can and must do something about promoting family life?

At a recent youth leaders meeting where I talked on this point, one of those present arose to say that he thought the time was past when we could expect young people to "return to the home." He thought that many of the organizations which now occupy our young people's attention are here to stay and that the young people could hardly be expected to abandon these things even if it did mean a "return to the family circle."

I was sorry to hear that. Such thinking seems to absolve our young people of responsibility toward the home. (It also places our Catholic Youth Organizations in an awkward spot.) It gives our youth the idea that the home is secondary to all of these other things—or to many of them. It seems to indicate that the home is merely a place to rest and to hang one's hat between outside activities.

Not so. The home comes first and if there is anything at all, anything, the youth can do to make it a better place to live, he should

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Youth Organized

Advantages Of CYO

JACK FINK

LAST week I told you in general terms what the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) is. This week let's examine some of the advantages of the organization.

Probably the greatest single advantage the CYO gives is the opportunity to meet and get to know more Catholic youth. There is an outlet for all youth of whatever interest in the CYO. Through its various types of activities you meet all types of young people and life-long friendships are easily struck up — friendships cultivated in a Catholic atmosphere and with a Catholic program. What more could you ask for?

There are many other advantages too. The CYO develops a healthy Catholic life in our youth at home, in schools, on the field, in the street, at dances, parties, meetings—everywhere. The Most Rev. John F. O'Hara, C.S.C., D.D., Archbishop of Philadelphia, has said, "The final objective of all Catholic youth work is, of course, the salvation of souls. All activities, recreational, social, cultural, are directed to the honor and glory of God; the whole program should keep its subject close to the sources of grace, the Sacraments and Prayer." No other organization can do this better than the CYO.

The CYO also deepens youth's religious knowledge and teaches them how to relate it practically to everyday life. This is one of the aims of the CYO.

A fourth benefit of the CYO is that it develops an informed and capable lay leadership among the ranks of youth according to the principles of Catholic Action stressed by the Popes.

Fourfold Program

How does the CYO accomplish all these things? Mainly through its fourfold activity program. A well balanced youth program should have four emphases: **spiritual, cultural, social, and athletic.** They can have more and some organizations do. The Saint Michael's Senior CYO of Union City, New Jersey, for instance, also emphasizes social action.

Of course, many activities may rightfully overlap so that an event might well be both athletic and social, religious and cultural at the same time. And many activities can easily be planned to include all phases. For example, you could plan a "CYO Day" that would open with Mass in the morning. After Mass you could have a Communion breakfast followed by a one act play contest. During the afternoon you could have an athletic contest followed by a social mixer, record dance, or card party.

I'll discuss these four phases of the CYO in later articles. Next week, the recent national Catholic youth convention in Boston.

Movie Guide

Motion pictures reviewed and classified by the National Council of the Legion of Decency

Space limitations prohibit publication of the complete list of movie ratings each week. Save this guide and keep it up to date by adding new classifications published weekly.

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Bandits of the West
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Terror on a Train
Thunder Over the Plains
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Tumbleweed
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White Witch Doctor
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All the Brothers Were Valiant
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Back to God's Country
Band Wagon
Beggar's Opera, The
Bellissima
Below the Sahara
Blowing Wild
Blueprint for Murder
Botany Bay
Champ for a Day
Charge at Feather River, The
China Venture
Cinque Paveri in Automobile
City is Dark, The
Clipped Wings
Desperate Moment
Devil's Canyon
Diamond Queen, The
Donovan's Brain
Dream Wife
Ettore Fieramosca
Favorita, La
Fort Ti
Gay Adventure, The
Genghis Kahn
Genoese Dragnet
Genevieve
Gentle Gunman, The
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Turning Point, The
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Vice Squad
Vicki
Wings of the Hawk
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Ambush at Tomahawk Gap
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Angel Face
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April in Paris
Arena
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Bal Tabarin
Battle Circus
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Big Night, The
Blackbeard the Pirate
Blue Gardenia, The
Bomba and the Jungle Girl
Captive Women
City Beneath the Sea
City That Never Sleeps
Clown, The
Come Back Little Sheba
Danger Zone
Daughter of Darkness
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Desperate Search, The
Destination Matrimony
Devotion
Doomed
Down Among the Sheltering Palms
East of Sumatra
Face to Face
Father's Dilemma
Fear and Desire
Fiamme sulla Laguna
Flight to Tangier
Forbidden Games
From Here to Eternity
Gentlemen Prefer Blondes
Girls in the Night
Gunsmoke
Here Come the Girls
His Last 12 Hours
Hoodlum, The
Iron Mistress, The
I, The Jury
Jeopardy
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Man With My Face, The
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Mesa of Lost Women
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Siren of Bagdad
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Snows of Kilimanjaro
South Sea Women
Strange Deception
Strange Witness
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That Man From Tangiers
The Veils of Bagdad
Thy Neighbor's Wife
Tormento
Two Cents Worth of Hope
Unknown Lover, The
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Volcano
Voodoo Tiger
What Price Innocence?
Walking My Baby Back Home
Wide Boy
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French White Cargo
Fric-Frac
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Gigi (French)
Hoboes In Paradise
Hollywood Burlesque
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It's All In the Mind
It's Forever Springtime
Jungle Stampede
Just A Big Simple Girl
La Ronde
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Miss Julie
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Moon is Blue, The
My Life (formerly Ecstasy)
Nais
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No Orchids for Miss Blandish
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Oh Amelia
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Raven, The
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Seven Deadly Sins
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Sideroad
Sinners, The
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Young Readers and Writers

ALMA SAVAGE, Children's Page Editor

Letter from Alma

YOU will remember reading last month about Father Matthew Miller, O.F.M. and his work with those who are ill. He sends specially blessed crucifixes to those who cannot leave their beds and visit church to make the Stations of the Cross. This work has brought him countless friends all over the world who are ill. We have already printed several letters which he received from Sister Josepha in the Philippines. The letters told of her work with the patients in the hospital there.

The letter at right was written in Spanish to Father Miller by a patient in the hospital in Manila and was translated by Sister Josepha. I want to share this beautiful letter with you for I have not seen so much love and devotion shining through words in a very long time.

It Happened In Japan

One evening a man who had been a captain in the Japanese army a number of years before, walked down the street in the little village of Zuchi. Now it happened that Father Sweeney, a Columban father in charge of the parochial school where the man's son attended, was also out walking.

The man thought little of Catholics—when he thought of them at all it was in an amused way. But he liked the priest.

"You know," he said to Father Sweeney frankly, "last evening I saw my son make the Sign of the Cross. It was funny," he said, "but it reminded me of something way in the back of my mind . . . then suddenly, I knew what it was. It went back to my years when I was in the army in China. There was a soldier in my company—he was a useless man, I thought. He couldn't drill very well, and he couldn't bear to see a wounded man suffer. In fact, he did none of the things the other soldiers did. You know, once I caught him praying with some of the prisoners. 'Funny,' the man muttered, 'he used to sign himself like my kid does.'"

As Father Sweeney listened to the story something clicked at the back of his mind too. "Tell me more about this man," he asked.

What happened next is the interesting part. Father Sweeney arranged a meeting between this ex-captain and a Japanese priest who lived in a neighboring diocese. It was the same man whom the ex-captain had spoken of. The priest had been drafted into the Japanese army during the war. The ex-captain and the ex-soldier-priest recognized each other immediately, and not long after, Father Sweeney counted another Catholic family in his parish.

Prejudice And Bigotry Have To Be Learned

Prejudice and bigotry do not come naturally but have to be learned, Rev. Trafford P. Mahr, of St. Louis University, told the national executive committee of the American Jewish Committee in Chicago.

Citing the song, "You've Got To Be Taught To Hate," he said there are many ways of communicating prejudiced attitudes . . . You can do it with words or simply with gestures."

"A child notices the curl of the lip, the shrug of the shoulders, or the contemptuous phrase of parents and his attitude toward a whole racial, ethnic or religious group may be warped for life. . . . What we are aiming for is not mere tolerance among various ethnic, racial, and religious groups, but a profound understanding of other cultures and religions that will lead to a sincere respect."

"Now," said the sister, "I've told you about the Flight into Egypt—draw me a picture of it."

There was much scratching of heads and sucking of pencils until one young hopeful produced a picture of an aeroplane with the Holy Family appearing as passengers.

"But who is the fourth person?" asked sister. "Pontius the Pilot," exclaimed the artist.

From A Hospital Bed

Padre: *I like to write to you. It is very important, for we like to tell you what happens here—how good and holy we try to be—since you tell us that you love poor sick people.*

Now you write to Madre—the sick are in my morning Mass—*I do not understand. So I ask Sister to explain to me. Sister preaches to us one time a week. Sister preaches about Mass one week, two weeks, three weeks, but I cannot understand. "The priest," she says, "offers Mass, but we also offer with him." How can that be, I thought. Then one day Sister preaches again and . . . light came! May I tell you, Padre, how it is?*

When my head is very painful, I say: "Jesus, I put this in the chalice, and I can bear it; and when I want to scold my neighbor—I don't, for I want it in the chalice . . . and so with many things . . . and on Sunday when we have Mass here in the Ward—then when the priest offers the chalice, I say: "Dear Jesus, do you see my gifts? Next Sunday I'll try to give more." And, Padre, when you say Mass, you tell Jesus that all the sufferings of your dear sick children in Manila are given Him along with your gifts. Since then it is much easier for me to suffer.

I asked the Sister at what time Padre Miller says Mass in America. The sister said probably about 6—so then it is sometime in the afternoon our time. I prepare little gifts and when it is 6 I think: "Padre Miller offers his gifts and also mine. I then feel good."

Thank you, Reverend Padre, for reading all this, but I must tell someone and the sister said: Why not write all this to Padre?

Your sick loving child
Consolacion

Hester And The Gnomes CHAPTER NINE

MARIGOLD HUNT

THE President stared at Hester and Hester stared at the President. He had heard of giants and she had heard of tiny mannikins, but neither of them had ever really expected to see such beings. The President collected some of his wits first (he was, after all, a great deal the elder). He took a deep breath and bowed, for he had been taught a very long time ago that nothing is ever lost by politeness. Hester was terrified of frightening him away. She thought of getting out of bed and curtseying, but ended by bowing from where she sat. This encouraged the President, who tried speaking again. "I am delighted to have the honor of meeting you," he said. "Pray forgive my intrusion at this inconvenient hour."

Hester heard the politeness in the reedy little voice, though she didn't understand a word. "I am so glad to see you," she said, and smiled at him. The President smiled back: smiles, luckily, are the same in any language, but they don't get you very far as conversation. What they would have done next I don't know, for at that moment there was a scrabbling in the ivy outside the window, and Constance jumped in. As soon as she saw the gnome she said, "There! Now my mama will have to believe me!" and she made to pick the President up, with every intention of carrying him off to show her mama and the other cats in the barn.

But Hester told her very firmly to let him alone and come and explain what she meant. So Constance left the terrified President and came onto Hester's bed, rather sulkily (cats never like to be ordered about), and told how she had met the President and how no one would believe her.

The President was first relieved at not being grabbed and carried off and then amazed at the evident tameness of this tiger. Finally, as he listened, he was delighted. He couldn't understand English at all, but he could, he discovered, make out a great deal of what Constance was saying.

In his distant youth he had studied what his kind call the Furry Dialects, for he was a well-educated gnome. These are the languages spoken by all the animals with fur. They are all much alike, and though he had never met a cat before he had often talked to mice and moles. Once a baby otter had got into the river Torg by mistake and the gnomes had had a terrible time getting him safely back to his frantic mama in the upper world. He was glad of it now, for Constance's dialect was very like the little otter's. So when Constance ended her story, he spoke to her, in an odd accent to be sure, and haltingly, but in words she could understand. Constance and Hester both looked at him in astonishment. Now I must tell you that Hester understood cat language better than any girl I ever knew, she could even say a few cat-words herself. So she as well as Constance, when they got their breath back, said in cat-talk, "Greetings, little man!"

(To be continued)

Chats Out Of Church

Our Lord's Perfect Prayer

FATHER RAY GRIBBIN

Hello Boys and Girls!

PERHAPS it is a good idea to take a moment out today and think again of just what the Mass is, before we go on talking about the Canon of the Mass. After all, if we forget what it is we will not be able to make much sense out of the parts of the Mass.

So let's recall again that the Mass is Our Lord's perfect prayer to His Father. It is Our Lord, offering Himself as a Gift to His Father, just as He offered Himself on the cross. The only important difference is that now we have a chance to "help" our Lord offer Himself.

Through the priest we offer God the bread and the wine. And we should also offer Him ourselves —everything that we think, or do, or say.

That is why the first part of the Canon prayer speaks of the things that we have offered to God. The idea of the prayer is something like this: "Dear Lord, we have offered to You gifts that You see here. They aren't much, yet. But, please, we are giving them to You, so that You will change them and make them a real Gift—so that You will make them Our Lord Himself."

After that the priest asks God to bless the "holy and Catholic Church." Why? Because the thing that God is interested in more than anything else on earth is the Church. After all, the Church belongs to Jesus. He put it on earth. He gave it all the truth that it teaches for Him. He gave it all the power that it uses to make people holy. He wants everyone to be a part of it, just as you and I are.

For that reason, then, the priest prays for the Church. He asks God to give the Church peace, to protect it, to keep all Catholics loyal, and to guide the Church so that it will always help more and more people get to heaven. Since the Pope is the head of the whole Church, all over the world, and the Bishop is the head of the Church in a particular city or state, both the Pope and the Bishop are mentioned in a special way.

The next part of the prayer is for people who need special prayers, and also for all of those people who are taking part in the Mass. Here, at this part of the prayer, the priest may pause for a little while and think of the people who need the special help.

Finally, the priest reminds God of how wonderful it is that there should have been so many holy people on earth. He speaks of Our Blessed Mother, the Apostles, the first five popes after St. Peter, and several others. Then he asks God to reward us for this gift we are giving Him by helping us to be holy like the saints.

LETTER

from a little girl in England

DEAR Alma Savage:

A few weeks ago I read in Letter from Alma about a poor Mexican at Guadalupe. Only this year I played the part of that poor Mexican Indian named Diego in our school play. It was acted at our annual prize-giving. I received a book prize which added to my library of about fifty books.

One of my best books is called "The Wonder Book of Wonders" which is like an encyclopedia. It tells you about the stars and about nature and famous places all in the one book. I think reading is the most interesting hobby of all. You can use your imagination with whatever book you read so that you can go up Mount Everest or travel round the globe or have most wonderful adventures without leaving your chair or bed.

My father** is a writer and a few months ago I began writing a book called "The Mystery of the White Mansion." I have only written three or four chapters so far but I am gradually getting it done.

Love from
Rowena Hyde

** *Editor's Note: Douglas Hyde made a lecture tour of the United States for the month of October of this year.*

My Wishes

SOLACE MARIE-CHIRE SARGEANT

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NANCY CAREY

Cereal Fondant Balls

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2½ to 3 cups confectioner's sugar.
1 egg white, stiffly beaten
Flavorings to taste
Vegetable coloring
1 cup whole wheat shreds

Gradually add confectioner's sugar to stiffly beaten egg white until fondant is thick enough to knead. Sift some confectioner's sugar onto board and knead fondant until smooth. Divide into several parts. Flavor each by kneading a few drops of flavoring oil or extract into ball of fondant. Add food coloring sparingly at the same time. Shape into small balls and roll in whole wheat shreds. Makes about 12 ounces of candy.

Orange-Cereal Trees

These unusual Christmas trees are made of puffed cereal held together with a tasty orange syrup. The base of the tree is made of a large navel orange with a trunk of stick candy.

1 cup corn syrup
1 cup sugar
½ cup fresh orange juice
1 tablespoon butter
2 teaspoons grated orange peel
3 quarts puffed cereal
Stick candy
Navel oranges

In a large saucepan mix together the sugar, syrup and orange juice. Bring mixture to a boil and cook to 250° or until a few drops form a hard ball when dropped into cold water. Add butter and orange peel. Pour 1 quart of the cereal in a large bowl. Pour about one third of the syrup over cereal and mix well. Keep remaining syrup in pan of hot water to prevent hardening. Working quickly press the mixture into buttered cone-shaped paper fountain cups. Insert a candy stick in each. Mix the remaining cereal and syrup in two batches. When the trees have molded a few minutes remove from cups. If you want, deorate with bits of candied cherries or cinnamon drops. Insert the end of the candy in an orange. The small fry will love them and the most particular mother will thank you for providing sweets that aren't just sweet and won't cause tummy aches.

Spiced Milk Punch

What would you do without ice cream for children's parties? In fact, what would you do without ice cream? Here's the recipe for a thick punch that adults as well as children, would enjoy. Serve it in mugs with stick cinnamon stirrers when you serve the older crowd. For the young crowd you may prefer to use colored straws and small plastic spoons.

1 quart milk
3 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon nutmeg
⅛ teaspoon salt
1 quart vanilla ice cream
½ pint whipping cream
1 teaspoon vanilla
4 tablespoons grated orange rind

Pour milk into cold punch bowl; mix in seasonings. Add ½ the ice cream, stirring until partially melted. Whip cream until stiff and fold in vanilla. Place remaining ice cream, and whipped cream on top of spiced milk. Sprinkle with orange rind. Serves 10 to 12.

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Orange Walnuts

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1 can fresh-frozen Orange juice (6 ounces)
1½ cups sugar
2½ cups shelled walnuts.

Blend together the undiluted orange juice with the sugar and stir over low heat only until sugar is dissolved. Cook, without stirring to 240°, or until a few drops form a soft ball when dropped into cold water. Remove from heat and add walnuts. Stir until mixture begins to thicken then drop from a teaspoon onto sheets of waxed paper. Makes about 1½ pounds of candy.

Friday Suggestion

Tomato Super Supper Dish

¼ cup butter, softened
6 slices bread, toasted
2½ cups shredded American Cheddar cheese
3 eggs, slightly beaten
2 cans condensed tomato soup (10½ ounce cans)
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon dry mustard

Spread butter on toasted bread; cut each slice into six squares. Grease a 2-quart baking dish; place in it alternate layers of toast squares and cheese, ending with a top layer of cheese. Combine eggs, soup, salt and mustard; pour over bread-cheese layers. Bake at 325° F. about 1 hour. Serves 6. For a change substitute mushroom soup for tomato soup.

Molasses Bread

My grandmother made Molasses Bread by the "pinch and guess" method when I was a little girl. I've tried to work out a recipe that tasted like her bread but was never satisfied until I came across this one in my files. It's the bit of lemon rind that gives it the flavor that I'd missed. Bake a loaf or two to serve with the left-over dishes you make from the Christmas bird. Serve thin buttered slices with spiced tea or mugs of milk to the holiday callers.

2½ cups sifted enriched flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 egg, well beaten
¼ cup sugar
½ cup molasses
¼ cup melted shortening
1 teaspoon shredded lemon rind
¾ cup buttermilk or sour milk
1 cup raisins, optional

Sift together flour, baking powder, soda, salt and cinnamon. Beat egg until light. Add sugar, molasses, shortening and lemon rind to egg; beat well. Add flour mixture to egg mixture alternately with buttermilk or sour milk. Fold in raisins. Pour into greased loaf pan 4½ x 8½ inches. Bake in moderate oven 350°F 60 to 75 minutes. Makes 1 loaf.

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M. D. AMATOR

UNDOUBTEDLY you are familiar with the ringing of the church bells. Accustomed to hearing them ring from childhood, it is not natural that they should awaken any new thoughts. You hear them in the morning calling to Mass, in the evening calling to a Lenten sermon, or to a weekly Holy Hour, occasionally even to an Advent service.

Three times a day, the bells call again, this time in a somewhat different fashion. You hear the three times three tolls with a brief pause between, and then the regular ringing. This special call, morning noon and night we term "the Angelus."

Most Catholics know what the Angelus is; some devoutly recite its threefold prayer, a repetition of the Angelic Salutation by which heaven announced to earth the coming of the Messiah.

While the Angelus is rung every day of the year, Advent holds a special significance for this form of prayer in honor of the Holy Mother of the Redeemer. Advent is the special time assigned by the Church to the preparation of the heart for the coming of Christ. The Angelus is a repetition of what occurred at that first coming, when He left heaven for the Immaculate Womb of His Virgin Mother.

Which Are You?

As Advent is the time of spiritual preparation for the birth of Christ in the hearts of men, no more practical "Advent hint" can be offered for this, the third week of Advent, than that thrice daily reminder of the Angelic Salutation and the great mystery that was consummated at the Holy Virgin's fiat.

In most Catholic churches throughout the country, the bells ring out the Angelus day after day. What does it mean to you? To you personally? Time to run and catch a bus? A signal to hurry, or you'll be late to dinner? Or, are you so accustomed to its peals that they fail to register even in your subconscious mind?

There are three classes of persons who respond in three different ways to the call of the bells:

(1) There are those who have become completely deaf to them; they keep right on with what they are doing; they don't even hear them.

(2) The second group of people hears the Angelus bells, and says the prayers of the Angelus sometimes, but in a routine way, seldom thinking of the tremendous mystery they are commemorating.

(3) The third group consists of all those who understand the sublime significance of the Angelus bells, recall to mind the sacred scene in that little home in Nazareth, follow in thought the greeting of the angel and the Holy Virgin's humble reply, and adore in spirit the **God made Man**, as they say the prayers of the Angelus.

To which group do you belong? Consider yourself lucky if you know you're in the third group. Thank God for the numberless graces He has given you three times every day as you followed the call of the Angelus bells.

Should you perchance feel yourself obliged to strike your breast in a self-accusing "mea culpa," that you see your lot cast with the first or second group, then you might profitably take a serious resolve to heed the calling of those bells this week. Try just for one week, and see what it has meant to you by next Sunday.

Sometime ago the writer spoke with a person who had lived in the Vatican for a number of years and often was with the Holy Father at the time of the Angelus. He said it was the greatest inspiration to him to pray the Angelus with Pius

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CHARLIE CALLAHAN'S

Sportscasting

THIS week, I take a rest. I've been talking about Notre Dame, and meanwhile another Catholic college team has done very well, would in fact have been undefeated but for a couple of points here and there. The team? Marquette! And so for the rest of the column I turn matters over to Jim King, sports publicity director of Marquette.—C. Callahan

Marquette's football team did pretty well for itself on the gridiron this year and the prowess of the Hilltop eleven has been duly recorded by the scribes of the secular press. But a short term lease on "Calahan's Corner" is indeed most welcome.

When Bowl-bid time rolled around recently, Marquette's name was bandied about as a possible representative largely because of the Hilltoppers' 6-3-1 record which stands as the best at Marquette since 1942.

While Coach Lisle Blackbourn's squad did not make a New Year's day appointment, nevertheless the Marquette record did much to dispel the perennial talk about the almost certain death of football in Catholic colleges. The situation at Marquette is far from dead!

A few columns back Mr. Callahan tipped his hat to the Hilltop gridders who had made a surprisingly good showing this year. He mentioned that Marquette lost to two Big Ten teams by a total of three points. Wisconsin, which finished third in the Western conference race, edged Marquette, 13-11. A week later, Indiana scored a touchdown in the last 40 seconds of play to trip Marquette, 21-20.

Up to that point the Hilltoppers had yet to face the mighty Michigan State team. Marquette nearly turned the trick against the Spartans before losing by the largest margin of the year—6 points! The Hilltoppers held a 15-14 lead late in the third quarter and then the Spartans scored the clincher to win, 21-15. Many fans at East Lansing stated that Marquette was one of the toughest squads faced by the Rose Bowl-bound Spartans. It was moral victory, but it didn't count on the scoreboard.

Hilltop victims this year included the University of Detroit, Arizona, Boston University, Holy Cross, Cincinnati and South Dakota State. The tie was a 20-20 deadlock with College of the Pacific, which earlier had upset Stanford.

What has made the Hilltoppers click this fall? The answer probably lies in a combination of factors not the least of which is the excellent coaching staff headed by Blackbourn who has just completed his fourth season at the Marquette helm.

Born and raised on a farm, Blackbourn still maintains the farmer's habit of rising early and working a long day. The hours have paid off.

Never blessed with an abundance of outstanding talent, Marquette's success depends on the coaching staff and its ability to make good ball players out of average material. An exceptional job was done this year.

Last spring, when most college coaches worried their way through the switch from double to single platoon work, the Marquette coaches moved out on a limb, sawed it off and came down with both feet on the ground.

Not only did they make the platoon change, but also switched from Straight T to Split T strategy and then discovered and developed a quarterback who had never called a signal or thrown a pass before last spring. That's a lot of pioneering for one season!

The quarterback is Dick Shockey, of Brookfield, Ill., a 6 feet, 3 inch, 210 pound sophmore, who played as end and tailback in high school before he was promoted to field general in college.

Marquette's new first assistant and backfield coach, George Terlep, had the responsibility of developing Shockey, he did a masterful job. Shockey finished the season as the 15th ranking passer in the nation and was the key man in the Marquette attack.

Line Coach Orv Dermody and Freshman Coach Carl Schuette produced a forward wall which helped Marquette attain a No. 3 ranking in pass defense and the eighth spot in total defense.

Scouting chores and the development of some fine ends to round out a good passing attack fell to Robert (Doc) Erskine, who has been around the Hilltop since 1941.

The team effort in coaching extended down to the squad itself where newcomers shared some of the spotlight with a well balanced corps of 23 lettermen. The "old pros" and the "kids" made it a big year, full of a new spirit.

Sophomore Fullbacks Dave Donarski, Green Bay, Wis., and Bob Girman, Kenosha, Wis., were two big reasons for the success of Marquette's ground attack. They finished second and third respectively in ground gaining behind Halfback Ron Drzewiecki, who was the "outside" man in Hilltop strategy. Shockey's passing and the running of these three men gave Marquette a varied attack behind two good front lines.

Only seven seniors will depart this year and a promising crew of players from the freshman squad bodes well for 1954.

Blackbourn's boys bear watching in the future. The team has followed the trail of the Braves to popularity. The city of Milwaukee is taking notice of the grid doings on the Hilltop.

College football at this Catholic school is a long way from dying!

Everyone enjoys a little horn tooting now and again. Marquette's squad did most of its own work this fall through a successful gridiron season. The papers and wire services throughout the country have informed the football world that the Hilltoppers are on the move again.

This correspondent has enjoyed adding his few notes on the recent fall festivities through Mr. Callahan's fine column in a very fine paper. It's time to move over for the boss who has been kind enough to lease his corner for the weekend.

1954 Schedule

Sept. 25—at Wisconsin
Oct. 2—(night) Miami, O.
Oct. 9—(night) Cincinnati
Oct. 16—at Holy Cross
Oct. 23—Fordham
Oct. 29—(night) at Detroit
Nov. 6—Boston College
Nov. 13—at College of the Pacific
Nov. 20—at Michigan State

Father Conroy

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do so. I do not think I have to enumerate the many ways in which a boy or girl can contribute to home life. This will vary with the individual family.

I just want to say here that every boy and girl has a place to fill at home. At times this may require passing up some outside activity. It may mean staying home an extra hour—or every night for a week. But whatever it takes it will benefit the home.

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The Great Gola

'Greatest College Basketball Player In America'

DAVE WARNER

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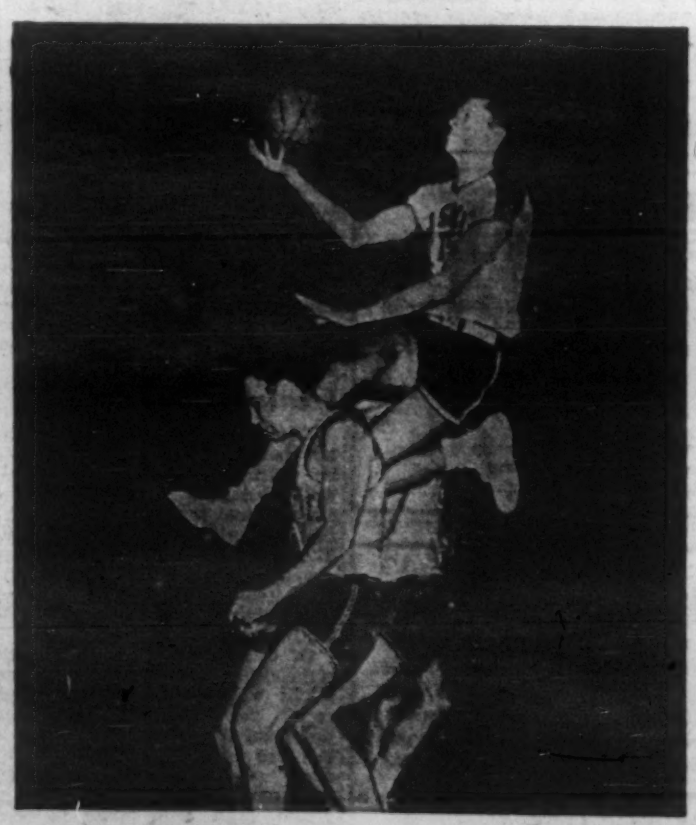
Eddie Gottlieb, Philadelphia Warriors coach,—"He's the most natural basketball player I've ever seen. He does everything seemingly without effort. Plays as if ice water is in his veins. He's that cool. And never have I seen a collegian handle the backboards like Gola. He's the best." Gottlieb is like a kid on Christmas Eve. He can hardly wait for Gola's graduation so that he may claim him for the Warriors.

Joe Lapchick, New York Knickerbocker coach,—"That Gola could step right into a lot of starting lineups, including mine, right now. He can shoot from anywhere. He's got real speed and when a big guy with a shot can move, brother, then you really have something!"

Brother David, Coach Loeffler and a good many others know that LaSalle has something in Gola. Enough people were impressed sufficiently by harmonica-playing Tom last season to name him the outstanding player to appear in Philadelphia, New York, San Francisco and Buffalo. He was a unanimous All-American.



LA SALLE'S TOM GOLA rising high to score two of his 20 points in the Wake Forest contest last January 3, at Philadelphia's Convention Hall. (Photo by Mike Maicher.)

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What Our Readers Think

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Truth And Fiction On Martin Luther

Editor:

OUR Catholic information center in Charlotte, North Carolina, with the help of our lay organizations, published the following material as an advertisement in our daily papers after the motion picture "Martin Luther" played here. I think the idea and the information supplied will be of interest and help to your readers throughout the nation. The movie is said to have more than 500 bookings already.

A technically excellent motion picture, "Martin Luther," recently played in Charlotte. There are some errors in fact and spirit in the film; it could cause some misunderstanding. So we respectfully offer this candid statement of what is true and what is false in the film for the consideration of our non-Catholic neighbors. We do this not in the spirit of controversy, but because we believe that the hope of the world is in the full and complete truth.

The film shows: The Catholic Church as riddled by corruption, immorality and dissolute leadership at the time of Luther.

The truth is: It is true that at the time of Martin Luther there were individual members of the Church, just as there might be today, who were not living up to the Church's high code of morality, or who did not accept completely the Church's teaching of infallible truth. It is true, unfortunately, that some of these were in high places of the Church, but it is also true that the Church as such, through a Pope or General Council, never at that time or any time since has taught error or as a Church approved any immorality; any more that it would approve false doctrine or immorality if it were found in clergy or laity today.

The film shows: Martin Luther as the enemy of this corruption and the leader of the fight against it.

The truth is: That Martin Luther in the beginning was a very confused individual, and while his conscience caused him to react to some of this immorality and to what he thought was dogmatic error, the fact is that the Church while condemning immorality, also condemned his error in theological judgment and never condoned his own violation of the moral code, that of breaking his Vow of Celibacy by attempting marriage to a nun who had made similar Vows to God.

The real reformation was within the Church, where without destroying the unity of Christ's Church, genuine reformers erradicated the evil caused by weak and ambitious men. Martin Luther led not a reform but a revolt against the teachings of the Church. It is important to understand that within the Catholic Church there was a real and positive reformation of individual members that erased evils and abuses, but did not discard the beliefs held by all Christians for 15 centuries.

The film shows: That the Catholic Church is a Church of superstition and fear.

The truth is: That superstition is attributing to persons or things a power that belongs to God alone or a power beyond the nature of that thing, and such absurd practices in relation to relics and indulgences as attributed to Martin Luther's religious superiors would fall under the Church's condemnation of both then and now.

The film shows: Luther translating the Bible into German and gives the impression that this was the first time it had appeared in any language other than Latin.

The truth is: The Bible had already been translated into many languages. Before Luther published his Bible in German, there had already been 14 complete editions of the Bible in the German language—nine of these editions were published before the birth of Luther. In addition to these, four different editions had been published in low German. The film may give the false impression that Luther gave the Bible to the people—the truth is they had it long before his birth.

The film shows: Martin Luther confounding his theological opponents and men like Erasmus and Eck tongue-tied or mumbling inanities.

The truth is: That Erasmus — who is recognized by Protestants as one of the greatest of theologians—wrote many excellent pamphlets opposing Luther's concepts, holding that Luther added the word "alone" to the Biblical verse, "A just man liveth by faith," to make it fit his own teachings. Erasmus said that the concept of salvation by faith alone ran not only directly counter to Saint James' Epistle, "Faith without works is dead," but was in opposition to Our Lord's own clear teaching that men would be judged by what they did or failed to do. We could not expect the film makers to give the Catholic theological arguments against Luther's opinions, but we think it is important that all know that there were and are very real and valid arguments that every seeker of truth should investigate for himself.

The important thing to understand is that this film shows a caricature of the Catholic Church in another age and at a time when good Catholics — and there were many good and saintly Catholics then—admitted the evil in some members of the Church and fought against that evil.

It is true that individuals in the Church at the time of Martin Luther needed reformation, but Martin Luther did not reform the Church or could not reform it. The Church, by the power of the Holy Spirit, reformed her individual corrupt members so completely that a Protestant historian and theologian Karl August Meissinger says:

"If Luther returned today . . . he would find to his astonishment a Roman Church which he would never have attacked in her present aspect . . . above all he would see . . . that not one of the abuses which were the actual occasion of his break with Rome, remains in existence."

Four centuries have passed since that break occurred. At that time a great segment of individual members were torn away from the Church. Today the Catholic Church stands greater in membership than before the cleavage, still One in faith all over the world, still teaching one unchanging truth. Protestantism has broken up into hundreds of different groups, each group teaching its own concepts. We Catholics believe that our Church remains One and United, Unchanging in its teachings, because this Church is the One True Church established by Christ and guided by the Holy Ghost. We admit there have been some corrupt and immoral individual Catholics and some scandals as Christ foretold, but we submit that the very fact that the Church survives despite the frailties of men is a proof of the Holy Ghost's guidance of the Church.

We sincerely hope that those who see the film, "Martin Luther" will come away with minds still open to the truth. We hope that they will ask themselves how the film's version of a Church handicapped with such corrupt men could have survived, could have remained one in teaching and in truth. There is every reason in the world why it should not have survived. There must be a reason outside of the world why the True Church did survive.

For those who have inquiring minds, for those who do not accept the word of others without investigation but want to find out for themselves, for those who want to know what the Catholic Church teaches today and what makes 475 million people believe this is Christ's One True Church, we invite you to our series of lectures on the belief of Catholics, now in progress at Catholic churches everywhere in North Carolina. There is no obligation, no collection, we ask only that you come seeking the truth that Christ said can make you free.

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Answers To Brother Michael's Quiz

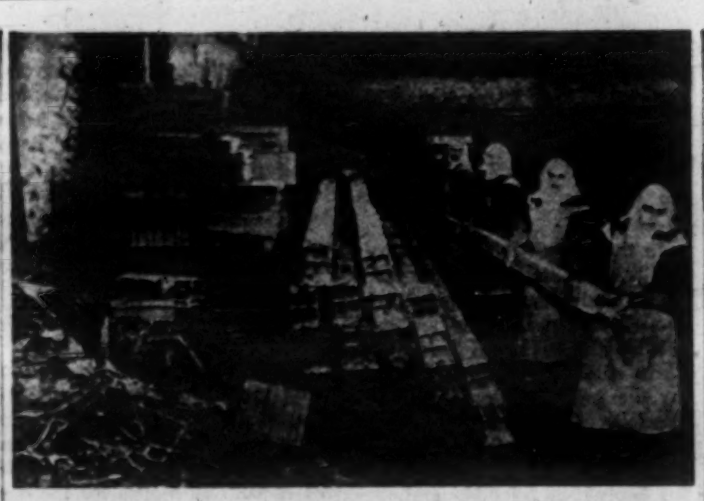
1: The Church teaches infallibly when it defines a doctrine of faith or morals to be held by all the faithful.

2: The Church teaches infallibly through the Pope alone or through the Pope and the bishops together.

3: Christ promised to be with the Church until the end of time.

4: By the indefectibility of the Catholic Church is meant that the Church, as Christ founded it, will last until the end of time.

5: Lesson 13 in the Catechism is on The Communion of Saints and Forgiveness of Sins.



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Our Privilege

Editor:

WE, who have always been Catholics take so much for granted. A visit to Jesus in the Tabernacle is so easy for us. Just any time we want we can drop in our church for a visit. Talk over our plans, and heartaches, just anything and everything with our Creator who is there to hear us!

How wonderful that is, but I for one did not fully appreciate the marvelous opportunity we have till last week. We visited a very large city and seeing a cross on the steeple of a church we proceeded to drop in and pay Jesus a visit. As the doors closed upon us the quiet emptiness of the room struck me first. There were beautiful stained glass windows, the pews were very ornate in their carving. There was even an altar but no one was home.

The church was not a Catholic one! We were trespassing. Felt such a sadness that everyone in the world can't know what we know. Christ is present on our altars. Surely everyone feels His presence who enters our church. If non-Catholics would just step inside our church and sit quietly for a while how many converts would be won!

Perhaps many are now Catholics who have done just that! Never again will I be able to hurry by a Catholic church without a greeting to Him who waits for our visit. What a wonderful privilege is ours!

A Housewife
Michigan

Seminarians Want Your Literature

Editor:

CONSCIOUS of the great amount of Catholic Literature which is being wasted after perhaps having been read only once, we, a group of Seminarians, came to the conclusion that this literature could be used with great profit by many who do not share our Faith, either because they do not know it or have a wrong conception of it. We began, therefore, collecting pamphlets, magazines and newspapers to send to non-Catholics, along with a note asking them to let us know if they were interested in receiving such literature every week free of charge. We also advised them to get in touch with us if they should desire further information.

I must say that our first attempt proved to be most successful! One-fourth of the non-Catholics we contacted manifested a desire to be on our mailing list. The success of our first endeavor has encouraged us to continue this apostolate.

Such work, we think, can be an excellent means of rendering many Protestants more friendly toward the Catholic Church by giving them a bettef understanding of her views and doctrine. With God's grace, it might even be the bridge which will serve to bring many of them over to the One True Church.

Our big problem, of course, is how and where to get a sufficient amount of literature. If the readers of **Our Sunday Visitor** have second hand copies of any Catholic newspapers, or especially magazines, we would greatly appreciate their sending them to us. For example, the **Family Digest, Catholic Digest, the Sign, Information and America,** are but a few Catholic magazines that would be excellent for this purpose. Of course, we have no objection to brand new religious pamphlets, magazines, or newspapers.

To spread the Message of Christ and His Church throughout the world should be a major interest of all Catholics. All is for the greater glory of God and the advancement of His Kingdom here on earth!

Rev. Gilbert Travers, S.M.
Marist College and Seminary,
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You're Too Generous

Editor:

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The Bells Ring

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XII, as the Pope seemed to re-live all the events of the Annunciation and Incarnation each time he prayed it.

Will you heed the invitation of the Church, offered to you thrice daily in the peal of the bells? That alone can produce a spiritual renovation in your soul for the coming Birthday of Christ, for no one can meditate for a few minutes three times a day on the mystery of the Incarnation of the Son of God, and continue to live a life of sin. Turn not a deaf ear, . . . for, the bells are calling,—for you.

The Angelus:

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;
And she conceived of the Holy Ghost. (one Hail Mary)

Behold the handmaid of the Lord;
Be it done unto me according to Thy word. (one Hail Mary)

And the Word was made flesh;
And dwelt among us! (one Hail Mary)

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God;
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of angel, may by His passion and death be brought to the glory of His resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Fiction

Six O'Clock Mass

What Has Gone Before

Sam Lunby, a retired Army general, is another of the regulars at the six o'clock Mass in St. Jude's Church. General Lunby is a veteran of both World Wars. Near the end of World War II, he receives the news that his wife wants a divorce. She is in love with a great industrial leader. The General's division returns home and he spends a leave in Switzerland, "most of it with some monks to whom he did not have to speak."

5. Three Warriors Cheer For God

GENERAL LUNBY had not contested his wife's plea for a divorce on grounds of mental cruelty. He read of her "quiet country wedding with only four hundred guests" (not one military officer among them). God's Providence overshadowed him that day when his stalwart son came to visit him, bringing along a young Navy ensign.

"Sir," the young ensign stammered, "you have heard about unification."

"Yes," said the General with some snap, "and I know the Navy will never swallow it."

"Well—ah—" stammered the man in blue, "I'd like to try it. I want to marry your daughter and we want you to live with us."

The General's heart warmed to the clean-cut young Annapolis product.

"You have my permission to marry my daughter . . . But I'll not live with a son-in-law who would want to throw me out whenever the Army beats the Navy. Young folks should live by themselves—only—" and a mist came into the General's eyes.

"Only what, sir?" The ensign was eager to please.

"Only when the Lord gives you children, don't forget they've a rather lonely old grandfather who wants to see them now and then."

Meanwhile General Sam Lunby, U.S.A. (retired) betook himself daily to St. Jude's six o'clock Mass.

When the General entered the church, another soldier, walking six feet to his rear, broke away as a shadow, went to a seat in the rear of the church, and sat down. He always remained seated until the General genuflected after Mass. Then he, Corporal Samuel Joseph Smythe-Jones, walked hastily from St. Jude's, climbed into a prewar sedan, put on a chauffeur's cap, and was standing with the door open as General Lunby came down the church steps, eyes straight ahead.

General Lunby and Corporal Smythe-Jones formed a military alliance when the General was convalescing from his plane crash in Africa. While others were polishing the General's boots, the corporal adopted a simpler tactic. He cooked ham and eggs as only a great culinary artist from Texas could cook them.

When General Lunby went off to new battle fields he had a new orderly.

"How about the Symthe-Jones business?" the General asked one day.

"Well, suh"—Samjo grinned—"my father—his name was Jones—lived in Dallas and my mother—her name was Smythe—lived in Houston and you know, General, Dallas folks don't like to marry Houston folks, so, well, I just took their names. They never had time for getting married up like regular."

"Any other children?" the General innocently asked.

"Yessuh. Six. Some was Joneses and some were just Smiths. I had to have me a nice name to get in the Army, General."

"You just cook well, drive well, and look after the General," Samjo was told. They were in Italy when this bit of family history was revealed.

"Doan worry about me, General," Samjo insisted. "They ain't got no place in Italy to bury a Texas nigger."

When the war ended, Samjo spent a hilarious week end and most of his pay in Harlem, where Negroes are kings and no white man dares, without credentials, to enter the kingdom. Then he was released from the service in Texas. There he was asked if he wished to enter a college under the G.I. bill of rights.

"No thank you, suh," he responded, knowing he could not read. "Me and education doan seem to get along."

When a man is a corporal in the United States Army and has helped a general win a war, he ought to have a big welcome when he returns to his home town.

If he is colored and from Texas the jubilation will be tempered by circumstances not under his control.

Samjo had met and married a buxom, cheerful girl from Galveston when he first entered the service. He sent home his allotment but few letters. No letters came in reply. He was not greatly surprised then to find Liza Mae had changed her address. She had also changed her name. Four years is a long time to keep a gal waiting, but Samjo was hurt to find out Liza Mae was now posing as his cousin's wife. The cousin, a 4F victim of tuberculosis, needed Liza Mae. So did their three children.

"Of course she's yours, Samjo," said his cousin sadly, "and I'll move out if you say so, but that gal has a temper and it ain't been no bed of roses taming her."

"Looks tame to me now," Sam said loyally.

"The children done that. My children tamed her. Doan know what will become of them," and the cousin coughed a few times, "if you marry up with Liza Mae again. They need their ma and I do too."

For two whole days Samjo felt badly. He noticed that as soon as he put aside his uniform, people treated him differently, even though he, Corporal Samjo Smythe-Jones, had fought and won a war for freedom. Samjo was hurt, worried, and unhappy.

"Ahs a-goin' to look up the General and find out what he says. He's more important than those Texas white folk," he decided.

When he found the General, he saw he too was a sad and lonely man.

"You ain't got no one to look after you, suh?" he asked respectfully.

"No, Samjo," answered the General.

"Then ah thinks ah'll take over, suh. You jes let me worry about yoah kitchen an clothes an car."

Samjo resented the General's walking to St. Jude's every morning.

"Generals ain' used to walking, suh," he protested. And then to back up his declaration, he drove the General's car to St. Jude's to meet him the first morning it rained. The General submitted gracefully. He turned his household arrangements over to Samjo, cautioning him only about the personal "battle of the bulge" which the General was waging. "Buy all the groceries you need though," insisted General Lunby.

One morning when it was raining and Samjo drove the General to St. Jude's, the General asked, "Why don't you wait inside?"

"Yassuh," answered Samjo, "if it ain't disrespectful; I never been in no Cattlic church 'cept in Rome. I don't want to do no wrong. Ah joined four different churches while soldierin'!"

In St. Jude's, Samjo had eyes only for "the beautiful lady and her pickaninny." He didn't know what was going on but he liked the smile on the Madonna's face. Several times he wished he could hold her baby for her.

Then when the bell rang at the altar he had eyes for every movement of Father James.

"That's a most beautiful dance," he thought, "that man with pretty clothes is doing, bobbing and turning and snapping his hands, jes like waltzing up to Heaven." This he never dared tell the General. Samjo liked being in church, and especially he liked to smile at the Jewish Mother who held her baby so close to her.

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GETS MARIANIST AWARD — Roger Brien, Canadian journalist and author, received the 1953 Marianist Award of the University of Dayton on Dec. 9. The award is presented annually to one who has performed outstanding service for the Blessed Virgin. Mr. Brien, 43, a Commander of the Papal Order of St. Gregory the Great, is editor of **Marie,** organ of the Marian Center of Canada, which is published from Nicolet, Quebec Province. An author and poet, he concentrates all his literary efforts to furthering devotion to Our Lady.

Ever Think Of This?

Mary Supplied Body And Blood Christ Sacrificed For Man

SINCE we are still within the Octave of the Immaculate Conception, we submit for the serious consideration of non-Catholics a few thoughts culled from writings of the famous convert, Father Frederick Faber, of England.

"The Dogma of the Immaculate Conception (and that of the Assumption which followed as a corrolary) became a necessity owing to the position Mary was to fill, namely, that of supplying the body and blood which the Son of God Himself would sacrifice for the redemption of mankind.

"Mary's blood was the material out of which the Holy Ghost, the Third Person of the Most Holy Trinity, the Artificer of the Sacred Humanity, fashioned the blood of Jesus. Here we see how needful to the joy and gladness of our devotion is the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception. Who could bear to think that the matter of the Precious Blood had ever been itself corrupted with the taint of sin, that it had once been part of the devil's kingdom, that what was to supply the free price of our redemption was once enslaved to God's darkest, foulest enemy? Is it not indeed an endless daily jubilee to us that the Church imposes upon us as an article of our faith, that sweet truth, which the instincts of our devotion had so long made a real part of our belief?"

"The blood in the Chalice is the blood of the living Jesus in Heaven; it is the blood shed in the Passion, reassumed at the the Resurrection, born up to Heaven in the Ascension, placed at the right hand of the Father in its consummate glory and beautiful immortality."

Mayor Supports Decency Drive

Newsdealers in St. Bernard, O. have been asked by the mayor to remove indecent literature from their racks.

Mayor Joseph L. Koetters called it the duty of St. Bernard's licensed newsdealers "to work for the moral good and happiness of the town's youth." He wrote the letter to the dealers, as the first step in fulfilling his pledge to the SDS Club in its campaign for decent literature.

The Mayor reminded newsdealers that "Juvenile Courts can attribute many of the crimes and misdemeanors of young people to the reading of illicit and immoral publications."

"This is not a matter of freedom of the press," the Mayor stated, "and no censorship is involved. A Mayor has no power over these. But I thought that . . . you would like to help the Mayor, the schools, the churches, and all the parents of the city of St. Bernard in helping to guard the minds of our youth."

Father Malcolm Rafferty has a real All-American baseball team playing under his sponsorship at Montgomery, Alabama. Not only are "The Gaels," as he calls them, made up of fine non-Catholic as well as Catholic boys, but he has on his roster a "Pope," a "Priester," a "Law," and the son of a Baptist Minister.

Thinking With God

FRANCIS P. LeBUFFE, S.J.

O God Who gave blessed Ambrose to Your people as a minister of salvation, grant we beseech You, that as we have had him as a teacher in life, so we may deserve to have him as a pleader in Heaven.—Collect for St. Ambrose, Dec. 7.

O God—

Who founded the Church upon the Apostles . . .
Who further strengthened it by the writings of the "Fathers."
Who broadened the knowledge of revealed truth by the learnings and eloquence of the "Doctors" . . .

Who gave blessed Ambrose to Your people as a minister of salvation—

tradition has it, that, while an infant in his cradle, bees settled in his mouth as if to make honey there, thus presaging his future eloquence . . .
he became governor of Milan but was miraculously singled out to be its Bishop by the voice of a child . . .
fearless defender of right as when he forced Emperor Theodosus to do penance for his massacre of the people of Thessalonica . . .
eloquent unfolder of the truths of Faith, he was God's instrument in bringing the wayward Augustine into the Church. . .
he enriched the official prayers of the Church with sacred hymns . . .
the Milanese liturgy is known as the "Ambrosian rite" because of his influence thereon . . .
whose holy life won him great fame . . .

Grant, we beseech You—

not relying on our own pleading alone . . .
not basing a claim on any merits of our own . . .
but pleading today through Your great friend Ambrose . . .
and also through Augustine whose sanctity he secured. . .

As we have had him as a teacher in life —

he taught while still on this earth . . .
he has taught down the centuries by his writings . . .
he still teaches all those who read his pages . . .

As we have had him as a teacher in life—

we must now hold to the same Faith he held . . .
we must now fight the same battles as he fought
we must now make known to others the same Christ he preached . . .
we must now stand up for what is right, even if it be against kings, as he did . . .

So we may deserve to have as a pleader in Heaven—

Ambrose, as all the Saints, is willing and anxious to help . . .

but we must deserve to have him as a pleader—

by our sincere adherence to our Catholic Faith . . .
by our honest efforts to lead good lives . . .
by true repentance for our sins . . .
by our frequent reception of the Sacraments . . .
by our fervent and repeated prayers for his help . . .

Dear Lord Jesus, You have given us wonderful leaders and guides in Your Church down through the long centuries. St. Ambrose was one of the greatest, and we thank You from our hearts for his learning and his holy life. Grant that we may in some slight way live as he did. We ask this grace of You today as we honor this great Saint.

The religious man worships God, the atheist himself.—**Nathan T. Steinlauf.**

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By FATHER FRANCESCO

Living The Liturgy

On the First Sunday of Advent, November 29, we began a new liturgical year. It seems appropriate to present some basic notions about the liturgy and to explain what we mean by the phrase, "Living the Liturgy."

The liturgy consists in the public prayers of the Church namely, the Mass, the sacraments, and the sacramentals. Among the prayers of the Mass are the so-called "proper" prayers which change from day to day. These propers are arranged according to a liturgical year. In the texts of the Sunday Masses, Holy Mother Church presents a review of the life and teachings of Christ.

This liturgical year is divided into seasons—Advent, a preparation for the coming of Christ and Epiphany, a celebration of the birth of the Christ child and the coming of the Magi; pre-Lenten and Lenten seasons, a time for spiritual housecleaning, with special thought given to the Passion of Christ; Easter, the celebration of Our Divine Savior's Resurrection and the 40 days He spent on earth afterward; Ascension day, commemorating His return to heaven; Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles; the season after Pentecost, 24 or more Sundays in which we review various teachings of Our Lord.

"Living the Liturgy" is an effort to make these events and teachings very much a part of our daily life. We should long for Christ's coming during Advent, rejoice over His birth at Christmas, suffer with Him during Lent, triumph with Him at Easter, and sit at His feet to hear His teachings during the Season after Pentecost. Hence, this is not just a giving of dry abstract information; it is an effective means of bringing religion into our everyday lives.

The Late Pope Pius XI remarked: "People are better instructed in the truths of the faith and brought to appreciate the interior joys of religion far more effectively by the annual celebration of sacred mysteries than by even the weightiest pronouncements of the teaching Church . . . Pronouncements affect the mind primarily; celebrations have a salutary effect on the mind and heart, that is, on the whole man."

Rural people should find it comparatively easy to apply the liturgy to their daily lives. The seasons of the liturgy are patterned closely after nature's seasons. Among the sacramentals are many objects and blessings which are a part of the farm and the rural home. The outward signs of most of the sacraments are produced on our farms. The whole liturgical spirit is closely akin to the mind of farmers.

In the words of Pope Pius X, "The primary and indispensable source of the true Christian spirit" is an active participation in the liturgy of the Church. Surely, we are striving to inculcate the true Christian spirit in our hearts, homes, and communities. We must then "live the liturgy." Now, at the beginning of a new liturgical year is an excellent time to renew our efforts in that direction.

K. Of C. Announces Its Annual Oratory Contest

Fort Wayne—"A Catholic School Is an American School" is the title for the 6th annual oratorical contest sponsored by the Indiana state council of the Knights of Columbus for Catholic boys, it was announced here this week by Harold D. Cothrell, state chairman of the K. of C. speakers bureau.

The contest, which will progress through council, regional and final eliminations, is open to Catholic boys, Juniors or Seniors, attending any Catholic or public high school in the State of Indiana and includes such boys who live in Indiana but attend high schools in adjoining states as day students only, said Mr. Cothrell in his instructions to the grand knights in the state.

The contestant must prepare, memorize and deliver an original piece of oratory of 10 minutes duration. The speech will be judged on thought, development and poise.

Local council eliminations must be completed by March 1, 1954. The regional tests, for which sites will be announced later, must be completed by April 5, 1954. The finals are set for Sunday, April 25, 1954 in Indianapolis.

The winner will be awarded a savings bond and will deliver his oration at the state convention of Knights of Columbus in French Lick, Ind., in May.

Expects Recent Finds To Give New View Of Christ's Times

Montreal —(NC)— Professor Benjamin Mazar, of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, declared that parchment scrolls recently found in caves in the Desert of Judea would give the world an entirely "new literature" on the years of Our Lord's earthly life. Terming the discoveries "a most important archeological find," the noted archeologist told reporters here that "no changes are expected in the standard Biblical text because of these finds, but our understanding of the religious life of that time (the 1st centuries B.C. and A.D.) will be enriched." Translations of the scroll texts are to be published shortly, he said.

Leaders To Meet

Paris —(NC)— Human repercussions of modern technics will be the general theme of annual meeting of presidents of international Catholic organizations, scheduled to be held at Paris, March 12 to 15, 1954.

Legion Of Mary To Hold Evening Of Recollection Dec. 16

The Fort Wayne Curia of the Legion of Mary will Sponsor an evening of Recollection on Wednesday, December 16, in Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Father Stanley Kusman, S.M. will be the speaker. His opening discourse will be given at 7:30 p.m. and the evening devotion will close with Holy Hour from 9:00 to 10:00 o'clock.

It is hoped that many persons will avail themselves of the opportunity being afforded them of spending this time in spiritual preparation for the feast of Christmas.

Christmas Show On 'Hour Of Saint Francis'

Fort Wayne — Exquisite melodies, words of haunting loveliness, sung in the spirit of the year's most joyous season — "The Hour of St. Francis" combines all these in a unique Christmas program which will be heard at 10:45 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 12, over Radio Station WOWO.

The singers are the Padre Choristers, young Franciscans from the old California Missions of Santa Barbara and San Luis Rey. The songs are Spanish melodies in the traditional spirit of a simple people. Out of their faith and love they have developed a celebration which has a matchless power to express the real meaning of "Happy Christmas."

Catholic Social Week In Japan Studies Peace

Tokyo —(NC)— "International Peace and Industrial Peace" was the theme of the third Catholic Social Week which took place here in the presence of Archbishop Maximilian de Furstenberg, Papal Internuncio, and many prominent clerical and lay representatives of Catholic social thought.

In his keynote address, Father Sauveur Candeau, who had just returned from the French Social Week at Peru, emphasized that "true peace" will not come in our day if each and everyone is not prepared "to work for peace."

Keisaku Takeno, head of the Catholic Cultural Research Institute, Prof. Yoshio Kobayashi of Jochi University and Prof. Akira Osawa of Gkushuin Daigaku stressed in their addresses that a lasting peace can only come about if Catholic principles are activated on.

HOSPITAL FETES STAFF PHYSICIANS — A hundred and twenty-four staff physicians at St. Mary's Mercy Hospital of Gary, were honored at a dinner December 3, at the annual election of officers. They were guests of the hospital Sisters who planned and served the meal in appreciation for the staff work done throughout the year. Last year's entire slate of officers were re-elected including Dr. William N. Horst, (left), Crown Point, president; Dr. J. A. Mirro, (right), Lowell, vice president, and Dr. L. J. Danieleski, (center), chairman of the executive committee. Other officers not pictured are Dr. J. J. Reed, Hobart, treasurer, and Dr. F. B. Monroe, Merrillville, secretary. — Gary **Post Tribune** photo.

Greatest Christmas Celebration Planned

Elkhart—(RNS)—Plans are being completed here for the greatest civic Christmas celebration in the city's history with the emphasis on "putting Christ back into Christmas."

A massed choir of more than 500 voices from churches of all denominations will present a program on the evening of December 21 in the city's business district. An eight-story cross formed by lighted windows on the facade of the Hotel Elkhart will be the backdrop for the choirs mounted in flat bed trucks in front of the hotel. The program will include Christmas carols and selections from Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah."

Following the program, the carollers will tour the city on the trucks and sing for shut-ins.

For the second year, there will be a lighted creche on the lawn of the Municipal Building with life-size figures depicting the Nativity. Store windows also will have Nativity displays.

Sponsors of the program include the Elkhart Ministerial Association, Chamber of Commerce, the city's schools and park department, service clubs, police, and the local newspaper and radio station.

Requiescant

THOMAS J. CONNELLY

Fort Wayne — Thomas J. Connelly, 72, former Allen County treasurer, died December 4, at the Lutheran Hospital after two weeks' illness.

Mr. Connelly was born and reared in Fort Wayne and was educated in the Cathedral Boys School. He was a member of St. Patrick's Church and Knights of Columbus Council 451, of which he was one of the oldest members. Surviving are a brother, the Very Rev. Msgr. James Connelly, pastor of St. Bridget's Church, East Chicago, and a cousin.

Mrs. Hermia Lockett, 58, St. Joseph, Fort Wayne.

Urban Tomaits, 50, Little Flower Chapel, South Bend.

Steven Bossi, Our Lady of Hungary, South Bend.

Mrs. Catherine Howard, 64, St. Joseph, South Bend.

Bert L. Kubisiak, 42, St. Stanislaus, South Bend.

Mrs. Ignacy Pukrop, 71, St. Stanislaus, South Bend.

Mrs. Mamye Dumont, St. Patrick, South Bend.

Mrs. Core Ann Boley, 84, Cathedral, Fort Wayne.

Monthly Holy Hour

Gary—The regular monthly Holy Hour in the Spiritual Crusade of Prayer for Peace of the Gary Deanery Council of the National Council of Catholic Men, will be held at St. Francis Xavier Church, East Gary, Central Avenue and old Hobart Road, Sunday, December 20, at 3:00 p.m.

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Our Weekly Chat With You

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X– 10
I– 1
–the result, 666.

As the priest and minister parted the priest handed the Lutheran clergyman a paper with *his* name written on it – and the numerals totaled 666.

If anti-Christ is understood to be a person, then he was, of course, to be the worst man; but, with few exceptions, Popes have been martyrs of very saintly men.

Those who believe the anti-Christ to be a *person* hold that he is to make his appearance shortly before the world ends, but 261 Popes will have already died.

St. John (1 John 4:3) tells us who anti-Christ is in any age, namely, one who "dissolves Christ." But more than any other person, during the past nineteen centuries, the Popes have stood loyally by Christ, defending His divinity before the entire world. That is true of every Pope, even of the few who, Catholics agree, were not worthy of the high office they held.

All this shows what an impression the *indoctrination* makes on youthful minds, causing them to grow up with prejudices so deep-seated that they do not respond to argument. Lutherans tell why they believe the Pope to be anti-Christ, namely because he assumes the "authority of Christ," but Christ Himself gave him that authority.

In the *Bible Student*, published under the auspices of the Walther League, representing "Suggested Joint Declaration of the Evangelical Lutheran Synods of Missouri, Ohio and Other States, and of the American Lutheran Church" we read: "We affirm that in the Pope of Rome the prophecies regarding the anti-Christ are being fulfilled."

In the pamphlet we read further: "In a special sense the Pope is anti-Christ because he claims for himself that power and authority in the Church which belongs to Christ alone, and because of cursing the principal doctrine of the Apostolic Church, the doctrine that we are saved 'by faith alone' without the deeds of the law." But by whose infallible authority is it proved that such doctrine is to be accepted? Paul himself confutes that doctrine in many texts. He did not use the word "alone."

The Funk and Wagnalls New Standard Dictionary gives several definitions of anti-Christ, accepted here or there, but does not even allude to the fact that the Pope has ever been tagged with that designation. The Encyclopedia *Americana*, which provides a number of explanations as they were presented during history, does not include the Lutheran teaching.

Speaks For Christ

Evidently Christ must have a *living* mouthpiece as His spokesman, and that is all the Pope claims for himself – and even then only when he pronounces on matters of faith or morals for the entire Church.

The Lutherans say the Bible is this mouthpiece of Christ. They could never prove that from the Bible. That theory is so clearly exploded by its practical application, when it provokes most discordant interpretations of Bible utterances. The Holy Spirit cannot direct a thousand different people in a thousand different ways – and we have, over the world, about a thousand different varieties of religions which claim the Bible as their mouthpiece.

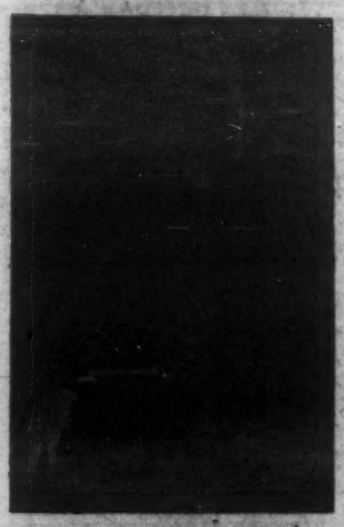
The Pope holds the Bible in higher regard than any other Christian; he believes with Lutherans that it contains God's word from cover to cover, but in matters relating to faith and morals there can only be one authoritative interpretation of what God reveals.

In his "History of the Reformation" Gasquet asked whether any one can honestly believe that St. Augustine, who brought the Christian faith to England in the sixth century, was anti-Christ, or whether the one who sent him there was anti-Christ, or whether nine-tenths of the people of England, devotees of Christ, were anti-Christ.

Now this same reasoning may be applied to Germany. Was St. Boniface, who brought the faith to Germany more than one thousand years ago, and who died a martyr for Christ, anti-Christ? Was the one who sent him there anti-Christ? Were all the churches built by the people of that time erected for the worship of anti-Christ?

The very idea must be adjudged ridiculous by every reflecting person.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
THE EDITORS



NOW ARCHBISHOP — Bishop John Mark Gannon of Erie, Pa., has been granted the title of Archbishop (ad personam) by Pope Pius XII. The personal title was conferred on Bishop Gannon on the occasion of the centenary of his diocese. It was given in recognition of his work for education and youth and for his services as a member of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. He was formerly episcopal chairman of the N.C.W.C. press department and treasurer of the organization. Archbishop Gannon, 76, also was chairman of the N.C.W.C. committee that founded Montezuma Seminary in New Mexico. The seminary, conducted by the Jesuits, trains seminarians from Mexico who return to that country to serve as priests.

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N.D. Students Cry . . .

'Go Sooners, Beat Maryland'

By GERARD HEKKER

A strange cry was heard last Saturday from the Notre Dame student cheering section after the Irish had defeated Southern Methodist in the season's finale, 40-14.

From the time Notre Dame had scored its first touchdown after only 3 minutes of play, the television-conscious students constantly chanted, "We're No. 1, Hey!" After the game has ended, the chant was "Go Sooners, Beat Maryland."

The 5,000-odd students at Notre Dame will eagerly watch the outcome of this season's Orange Bowl game in Miami. Nothing will suit the cause better than an Oklahoma victory.

If a Sooner victory is realized, the Associated Press should give Notre Dame students the same courtesy it gave the University of Michigan rooters in 1947.

Notre Dame and Michigan had completed their 1947 season unfeated. The debate was hot and heavy about which team deserved the mythical national championship. Notre Dame was voted the top position in the final poll at the end of November. Michigan went to the Rose Bowl and slaughtered Southern California 49-0. After the Bowl tilt, another poll was taken and Michigan was voted the top spot.

In discussing the relative merits of the Oklahoma and Maryland teams, a poll of the University of Missouri players holds some interest. Missouri is the only club to play both teams. By a vote of 7-3 (with one player undecided), the starting Missouri eleven believes that Maryland will defeat Oklahoma.

The poll of the Missouri players was made at Columbia, Mo. by request of the **Daily Oklahoman** of Oklahoma City. Maryland defeated Missouri 20-6. Oklahoma edged the Tigers 14-7. Both games were played on Missouri's home field. Some of the players commented:

Terry Roberts, guard and linebacker: "I think Oklahoma is a better clutch team and can get more fired up for the big one. Maryland has the better backfield, Oklahoma the better line."

Jack Shively, guard: "If Faloney plays, Maryland will win. He is one of the best quarterbacks I have seen. The Maryland line is just as good as Oklahoma's, but Maryland has better all-round balance in the backfield."

Charles Bull, tackle: "Maryland will win by two touchdowns because of a better line. Faloney makes the difference between the two clubs."

Pete Corpeny, end: "Oklahoma hits harder, but Maryland has the Sooners outclassed in the backfield. Notre Dame is the only team Oklahoma has played with a backfield of Maryland's class."

Vic Eaton, quarterback: "The game will be so close I'd be afraid to bet. I rate it a tossup. Faloney might be the difference, or Maryland's added bowl experience might be in its favor."

Bob Schoonmaker, half-back: "Oklahoma will win. It should stop Maryland's offense, particularly their long gainers. Maryland is strong at quarterback and maybe that will help it. Oklahoma's offensive line blocks better and Maryland's defense is not as tough."

An Oklahoma victory over Maryland would provide some very interesting topics for winter comment. Coach Frank Leahy calls this "the greatest Notre Dame team." We are inclined to agree. We are also very much in sympathy with the desires of the Notre Dame student body. We say too, "Go Sooners, Beat Maryland."

Since World War II

Only One Out Of 94 N.D. Athletes Fail To Graduate

Notre Dame — Only one out of ninety-four Notre Dame monogram winners since World War II has failed to graduate from the University. This evidence that Notre Dame makes its athletes keep their eye on the books as well as on the ball is cited in the December 7th issue of **Newsweek.**

While the **Newsweek** cover-story is devoted in a large measure to the phenomenal record of Head Football Coach Frank Leahy, it also documents Notre Dame's insistence that its football players' education is far more important than unbeaten seasons and bowl bids.

Notre Dame is no haven "for a coach expecting to have his basic sense of insecurity lulled by the indulgences of a football-minded faculty," the magazine story notes. "Although some persons carelessly assume that such a winning record must be the product of a 'football factory,' Notre Dame hasn't accepted a bowl invitation — the very summit of a football factory's aims —since . . . 1925."

"Football players are required to maintain a scholastic average of 77% as against the school's general passing grade of 70%," **Newsweek** observes. "At last check, the football squad had a scholastic average of better than 82% as compared with 81% plus for the general student body (currently at an all-time high of 5,400).

"A checkup on the present whereabouts of one 27-man squad of monogram winners showed that three had become lawyers, one a priest, one a doctor, one an accountantant, one a county commissioner, ten college and high-school coaches, and ten businessmen."

N.D. Grotto

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more than twenty-five times, the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes has retained its simple beauty. Students pause there throughout the day and night to pray and perhaps light a candle. During the month of May, virtually the entire student body assembles at the Grotto in the after-dinner twilight to recite the Rosary and sing hymns to Our Lady. The Grotto is also the setting for many other religious events, including the annual Laymen's Retreat.

Annual K. Of C. Bowling Tourney Plans Announced

Anderson, Ind.—The 10th annual state Knights of Columbus Bowling Tournament will be held here on the week-ends January 23-24, 30-31 and February 6-7, it was announced by Adrian J. Broderick, state K. of C. athletic chairman of this city.

Lawrence B. Wulle, 907 W. Cross street, has been named tourney secretary and will handle all correspondence connected with the meet. He will also direct the mailing of entry blanks to the councils throughout the state.

The tournament will be rolled on the allies of the Staggs Recreation center, 600 North Broadway.

Broderick also announced that the Anderson Hotel is accepting reservations for overnight accommodations and that Masses at St. Mary's Church are at 6:00, 7:30, 9:00 and 10:15; at St. Ambrose, 8:00 and 10:00.

Noll Warriors Trample Mooseheart 73 To 34

By JOHN A. CENGEL

Hammond—Friday, December 4, will be written into Noll's records as an evening to remember. The Warriors romped to an easy win over a valiant Mooseheart team Their winning margin of 39 points even overlapped the 34 points that Mooseheart got all night. The Mooseheart team was held to only 7 goals from the floor. Richard Lang was the only boy to get more than one goal, and he only had three.

Noll, however, were scoring literally "Left and Right". Ron Loneski, towering left-handed center, put in 24 points bettering his last games score of 22. Aiding him was another high jumper, right-handed John O'Keefe, who swished 15 points through the nets. The remaining points were spread evenly among the remaining members of the team.

The Warriors doubled Mooseheart score in every quarter—19 to 8, 36 to 15, 58 to 25, 73 to 34. This is the second straight game taken by Noll. This week the Warriors have a double schedule, playing two days in a row. Thursday they are hosted by unbeaten Merrillville at the Crown Point gym. And Friday, Noll plays host to Chicago DuSable.

St. Joe Indians Score 67-55 Win Over Gary Wirt

South Bend—Coach Francis Curran's St. Joseph Indians continued their winning basketball ways here Saturday with a 67-55 triumph over Gary Wirt as rangy Dick Pohlman poured 23 points through the hoop for the victors.

After Ken Tepe speared the opening field goal, the Saints raced to a 7-0 lead. Gary's Paul Oates then netted a free throw but the Indians tossed in 12 consecutive points for a 19-1 margin.

St. Joseph led 34-23 at half time and cooled off considerably in the second half although holding a 52-42 advantage at the third period mark.

Late in the game, Gary pulled to within four points at 45-41 but with Tepe hitting the net at will, the victors pulled away to a 10 point advantage.

Holy Land Studies

Jerusalem —(NC)— The Holy Land Custody Press has published the third volume of a collection devoted to recording the work of archeologists and scholars attached to the Franciscan Biblical Institute here.

Among articles written in various languages by specialists in their respective fields is one in English by Father Sylvester Saller, O.F.M., professor at the Institute, who is a native of Petoskey, Mich. The article deals with pottery remnants of the Persian, Roman, Byzantine and medieval periods found on the site of the ancient, rebuilt Church of St. Lazarus in Bethany.

Back From Visit

Quebec — (NC) — Archbishop Maurice Roy, of Quebec, who also is Bishop of the Canadian Armed Forces, has returned from a month's visit to the various Canadian military stations in Japan and Korea.

Gary CYO Grade School League All Star Team

Gary—St. Anthony's championship eleven dominated selections on the Gary C.Y.O. grade school football all-star team of 1953 by having four of its starters receive first team ballots. The honor team was chosen by Athletic Director Andy Novotny from a field of 230 boys who participated in this season's league play. Jack Jenkins of Holy Angels and William Smith of St. Anthony were named for the second successive year. All-league guard Joseph Vassallo of St. Anthony received the coveted most valuable player trophy awarded each season.

Selections were based on sportsmanship, team spirit, effort, and application of ability.

All Star Team

			Age	Wt.
LE—Clarence Williams	—	St. Anthony	14	123
LT—Jack Jenkins	—	Holy Angels	14	133
LG—Joseph Vassallo	—	St. Anthony	13	156
C —John Hawkins	—	Holy Angels	13	138
RG—Victor Schiralli	—	St. Mark	13	120
RT—William Smith	—	St. Anthony	14	161
RE—Guy Manna	—	Holy Angels	13	124
QB—James Christie	—	St. Luke	13	113
LH—Emmet Lasemby	—	St. Anthony	14	122
RH—Lester Child	—	St. Luke	14	124
FB—David Doty	—	St. Mark	14	124

Honorable Mention

D. Walker, M. McCarthy, Holy Angels; G. Lasky, L. Fattore, St. Mark; G. DeStefano, G. Salvetti, St. Luke; S. Manoski, J. Walters, Sacred Heart; T. Aguilar, R. Alvarado, V. Valdivia, St. Anthony.

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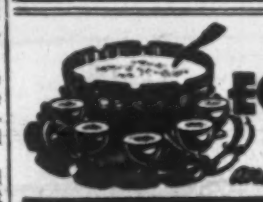

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Youth Of Today Should Rely More On Parental Advice

By EDMUND MEZYDLO

Edmund Mezydlo, the son of Mrs. Hilaria L. Mezydlo, is a senior at St. Joseph's high school, Garrett. Edmund was very young when his father died suddenly. He has four older sisters. Sports, poetry and music are among a few of the interests which take up the time of this 17-year-old.

Edmund Mezydlo

In My Opinion, Catholic youth of today should rely more on parental advice than on their own carefree opinions.

Today, more than ever before, the Catholic youth of the world should be spiritually conscious. I say this because of the seemingly endless wars, the communistic reign and the force of evil which makes our world today a world of controversy and fear.

One of the most unfortunate misunderstandings of our youth today that leads them to abandon their righteous ideals, is their thought of "old fashionism," to which they regard their parents as uninformed authority on youths' problems. But the youths are very wrong, very unfortunately so, because the parents are so much informed of today's "goings-on" that they regret them. They regret the immodest movies which are harmful to the soul, that's why they watch the movies that youths would care to attend. They regret the juvenile delinquency, the dishonesty, and the vice in our world, that is why they watch the companions one goes with. They dislike the evil communism which is wrecking our world, that is why, along with the priest and the nuns and the religious, they are trying to train us in good Christian moral principles.

In our Catholic schools, the teachings that are given the youth are based mostly on "Christian moral principles." Why? In my opinion, the answer to this question will, along with the help of God, produce another world. A world clean to live in without the fear of uncleanly deeds and words. A world free from the pain of war and tyranny, and most of all, a world which has come back to God, Who in all His power and glory, created it.

I don't know what you think, but I think we had better look on our parents, priests, and religious with a little more respect. After all they know better than we do. They always have known better, and they always will know better, because they have the help of God. So the next time any authority, not only our parents, offers some advice, accept it whole-heartedly with the thought that it may help your eternal happiness. That it is not "Old-Fashionism."

Scouts Hold Breakfast

Gary—Last Sunday morning, 131 Brownies, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts of Holy Angel's Parish were served a communion breakfast in the school auditorium by their leaders, Troop Mothers, Den Mothers and Patrol Mothers.

Monsignor John A. Sullivan offered grace after the flag ceremony by Loraine Spalding, Betty Brennan and Veronica Konrady of Troop 86.

MAN FROM DIOCESE IN PILGRIMAGE — George A. Ness, member of St. Joseph's Church, Roanoke, was among the Catholic officers and men of the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Lake Champlain that took part in a unique pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Portugal, last month. They are pictured above during Communion in the Basilica. The carrier left the United States last spring and the men held daily and novena prayers aboard ship for a successful tour of duty. After some time in Korea, the carrier visited Lisbon, Portugal, and the men took part in the largest pilgrimage of Navy personnel ever to visit the shrine.

College And School News

Notre Dame To Compete On College Quiz Bowl; Miss Riordan At TV Meet

Notre Dame and Minnesota didn't meet on the gridiron this year, but students from the two universities will compete in a battle of brains on the College Quiz Bowl program at 8:00 p.m. EST, Saturday, December 12, over the NBC network. Allen Ludden will preside over the intercollegiate quiz show in New York while the two teams attempt to answer his questions from their own campuses.

Representing Notre Dame against Minnesota, which has won against four other colleges and universities in previous weeks, will be David Burrell, Akron, Ohio; Thomas Field, Wilmington, Delaware; Thomas Calder, Worcester, Massachusetts; and Joseph Imbriaco, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Each week the winning team is awarded a $500 gift to be administered by the college. The winners return the following week to meet a new opponent. Each member of the losing team receives a wrist watch.

Helen Riordan of the faculty of St. Francis College attended the Educational Television Meeting held on the campus of Indiana University. Friday evening a meeting of the Television Council of the Indiana Conference on Higher Education was held. Miss Riordan is a member of that committee.

Following a semi-formal dinner party presented by the administration of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, on December 9, for the faculty, the St. Mary's Glee Club and Madrigal Singers presented their annual Christmas concert.

Under the direction of Martha Williams, this singing team of 48 girls performs at various events throughout the year. They also give a Christmas concert for the students and faculty of the University of Notre Dame and one evening during the holidays they devote to carolling at St. Joseph's Hospital in South Bend.

Sister M. Madeleva, C.S.C., president of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, and well-known as an educator, lecturer, poetess and author, will give a one hour Christmas convocation on her own poetry on Wednesday, December 14, at St. Mary's. She has entitled her address "Mary Christmas" since her recitations and explanations will center on verses about the Nativity, with special emphasis on the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The problem of protecting witnesses in legislative investigations was examined during a symposium sponsored by the University of Notre Dame College of Law on December 9. Five speakers presented papers on various aspects of the problem which Dean Joseph O'Meara said "constitutes a challenge as insistent as any that has faced the legal profession in its long history."

William T. Gossett, vice-president and general counsel of the Ford Motor Co., served as moderator of the discussion. Speakers included Representative Kenneth B. Keating of New York; Brigadier-General Telford Taylor, New York attorney and former chief prosecutor of the Nuremberg War Crimes Trials; George Morris Fay, Washington, D.C., attorney and lecturer on criminal law at the Catholic University of America; Abe Fortas, Washington, D.C., attorney and former Undersecretary of the Interior; and Marshall Smelser, associate professor of history at Notre Dame.

Dave Popp has been elected president of the Junior Red Cross at Fort Wayne Central Catholic High School. Other officers are Marilyn Miller, vice-president; Dorothy Pion, secretary, and Thomas Watson, treasurer.

The annual Christmas party sponsored by the junior class of St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, will be held on Thursday, Dec. 17.

The party, at which the day students will be special guests of the college, will feature the traditional candlelight ceremony, carollers and speeches.

The Rev. A. L. Gabriel, director of Notre Dame's Mediaeval Institute, has just published a study of Robert de Sorbonne, founder of the famous French college which bears his name. Father Gabriel prepared his treatise in connection with the 700th anniversary of the College of Sorbonne in Paris which is being observed this year both in Europe and this country. He is secretary of the American committee for the septi-centennial celebration.

Dean Arthur M. Weimer of the Indiana University School of Business gave two lectures to students in Notre Dame's College of Commerce Thursday and Friday. He discussed "Trends in Business and Education for Business" and "Industrial Development and City Growth."

Dean Weimer was the fourth guest lecturer in the current series sponsored by the University's College of Commerce Advisory Council.

Weimer is nationally recognized as a leading authority on real estate and land economics.

Senior CYO Plans Talent Show Dec. 13

On Sunday, December 13, the Fort Wayne Senior C. Y. O. will hold its annual "Talent Show" in St. Mary's Auditorium at 8 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

John Marshall will be master of ceremonies. Talent will be furnished by members of the C. Y. O., and will include musical solos, group numbers, and skits.

Distribution Of Bibles In School Halted By Court

Trenton, N. J.—The New Jersey Supreme Court on Dec. 7 banned distribution of the King James version of the New Testament to children in the state's public schools.

The court said the New Testament was a sectarian book and distribution of it through the public school system would violate the United States and New Jersey Constitutions.

"Our decision in this case must be based upon the undoubted doctrine of both the federal Constitution and our New Jersey Constitution that the state or any instrumentality thereof cannot under any circumstances show a preference for one religion over another. Such favoritism cannot be tolerated and must be disapproved as a clear violation of the Bill of Rights of our Constitution," the court said.

A 20-page decision drew unanimous approval of the seven-member court.

The case is based on a 1951 resolution by the Rutherford Board of Education to permit distribution of the King James version of the New Testament and the Books of Psalms and Proverbs from the Old Testament to those children whose parents requested it. The distribution was to take place at school.

The books were to be supplied by the Gideons International, a non-profit association incorporated under the laws of Illinois. The society had undertaken a national program of distributing the books to public school children. The case was instituted as a court test of the program.

A Jewish parent, Bernard Tudor, and a Catholic, Ralph LeCoque, obtained an injunction in early 1952 forbidding distribution of the books. Both claimed the King James version of the New Testament was contrary to the tenets of their religions.

N. D. Law Symposium; St. Mary's Glee Club To Present Christmas Concert

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Achievements In Education

Fr. Matthew Schumacher To Note Golden Jubilee

Notre Dame, Ind. — On December 25, the Rev. Matthew Schumacher, C.S.C., will sing a High Mass at 10:00 a. m. in the Church of St. Mary of the Assumption, Taylor St., South Bend, Ind.

This Mass will mark the 50th anniversary of Father Schumacher's First Mass, sung in this same church on Dec. 25, 1903. It was also in this church that Father Schumacher received his First Holy Communion, was confirmed, and offered his Silver Jubilee Mass.

Although no formal invitations to the event are being issued, the public is invited. The Rev. Joseph Maguire, C.S.C., life-long friend of Father Schumacher, will preach. Assisting at the Mass will be three other former parishioners who are now priests: the Rev. Joseph Muckenthaler, C.S.C., the Rev. Henry Glueckert, C.S.C., and the Rev. Andrew Schreyer, C.S.C.

Father Schumacher was Dean of Studies at the University of Notre Dame 1907-1919 and again 1928-1927. He was President of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, 1919-1925, and President of the College of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minn., 1928-1933.

Father Schumacher first came into national prominence as Chairman of the Committee on Standardization of Catholic Colleges, 1917-1922. Under his leadership, this Committee of the Catholic Educational Association accomplished the huge task of standardization, often in the face of great obstacles and opposition. (The Proceedings of the C.E.A., Vols. VI to XVIII, and other contemporary sources record the major steps of the work during these years.)

Since 1934, Father Schumacher has been Chaplain and Professor of Philosophy and Religion at St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind.

He has just completed a translation of St. Augustine's Contra Julianum, one of the works in the series, The Fathers of the Church, edited by Dr. Roy J. Deferrari and published by the Catholic University of America.

Father Schumacher

Investiture Ceremony

Fort Wayne — An Investiture Ceremony of 12 Brownies and 8 Fly-ups was held recently in St. Hyacinth's Church. The Rev. John Moskal presided.

Millie Jacobs of the Fort Wayne Girl Scout Council was present and all other troops from St. Hyacinth's were present. The school has a total of 6 troops, 60 girls, and 15 leaders.

Blood Quota Exceeded

Manchester, N. H. —(NC)— St. Anselm's College here exceeded its quota in a recent blood donation. The bloodmobile's visit to St. Anselm's netted 148 pints, 13 more than the college's quota.

Pope Inaugurates Marian Year At St. Mary Major

By MSGR. JOSEPH J. SULLIVAN

Rome—(Radio, NC) — Catholicism's greatest shrine to the Blessed Virgin Mary—the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome—was the fitting setting for ceremonies in which His Holiness Pope Pius XII joined in commemorating the opening of the Marian Year.

Only a short while before, the Pontiff had paused on his way from the Vatican Palace to join throngs gathered in front of the famous statue of the Immaculate Conception, which stands in the Piazza di Spagna, to bring alms and floral offerings and to lift their voices in prayer to the Mother of God.

Truly Mary's Day

It was truly Mary's day in the ancient capital of Christendom where 100 years ago Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception—an event which the whole Catholic world will commemorate throughout the next twelve months by acts of special devotion and intercession to the Queen of Heaven.

Cheering crowds lined the streets as the papal cortege passed by on its way to St. Mary Major atop which stands a statue of the Madonna holding the Child. Movie and television cameras recorded every detail of the procession as well as of the ceremonies at the Basilica and at the Piazza di Spagna. This was not the first time that the Pope or a papal ceremony had been televised, but it was Italian television's first opportunity to transmit both.

The inauguration of the Marian Year had previously been marked by a Solemn Pontifical Mass in the Basilica. Among other shrines where similar rites took place was the chapel of the new North American College in Rome. A Midnight Mass was offered there by Bishop Martin J. O'Connor, rector of the College, which is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception. The Bishop is a member of the committee in charge of the Marian Year, having been appointed by the Pope himself.

Sistine Choir Sings

A magnificent rendering of the "Tu Es Petrus" by the Sistine Choir acclaimed the entrance of the Holy Father into the Basilica, often called the Liberian Basilica in memory of Pope Liberius, who, according to legend, founded the great shrine on the Esquiline Hill in the year 352 after he had had a vision in which the Blessed Virgin revealed she herself had chosen the spot.

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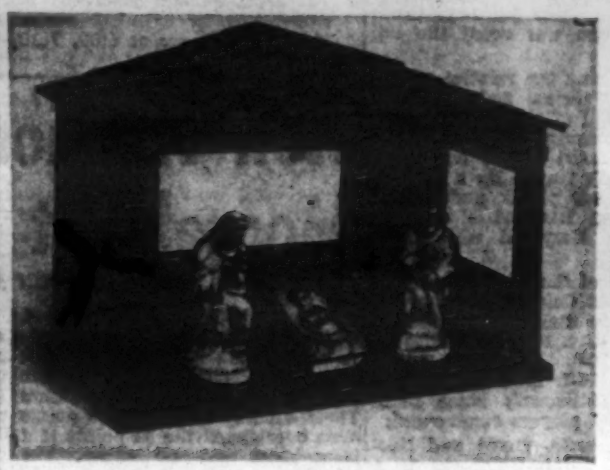

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